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Members are encouraged to
write and furnish articles
concerning matters
of interest to all.



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From the Chairman's Corner Tom McGorray

Happy New Year! Or is it?

Happy New Year? That depends on which calendar you use! Society members can explore the world's calendar options and create their own "perfect" calendars!

Ah, the first month of a new year! A time of fresh starts and clean slates, celebrations and resolutions — for those who follow the Gregorian calendar, anyway.

If you follow the Jewish calendar, January 1, 2002, actually is the third day of the fourth month (Tevet) in the year 5758. The Jewish year starts in autumn, and its calendar starts with the year of Creation, according to tradition, 3,760 years and three months before Christ was born.

According to the Chinese calendar, the year 4695 begins on January 28.

The next Islamic New Year's Day, 1 Muharram 1419 A.H., is April 28.

And if you follow the World Calendar — advocated by the World Calendar Association since 1930 — January 1, 2002, is January 1, 2002, except that it falls not on a Thursday, but on a Sunday, as it would for all of time if the World Calendar were to be adopted.

Be it as it may, the Tucson Chapter will meet on Monday, January 7, 2002. I hope you will make a resolution to attend and since I will probably not see you until then, a very Happy New Year to you and yours.

Tom McGorray Chairman - Tucson Chapter

One Liners

I live in my own little world. But it's OK...they know me here.

I don't do drugs anymore 'cause I find I get the same effect just standing up really fast.

Sign In Chinese Pet Store: "Buy one dog, get one flea..."

Money can't buy happiness, but it sure makes misery easier to live with.

If flying is so safe, why do they call the airport the terminal?

I don't approve of political jokes...I've seen too many of them get elected.

The most precious thing we have is life. Yet it has absolutely no trade-in value.

Two peanuts were walking down the street. One was a salted.

If carrots are so good for the eyes, how come I see so many dead rabbits on the highway?

How come we choose from just two people to run for president and 50 for Miss America?



Snowmen fall from Heaven unassembled.

SENIOR MOMENT

As a senior citizen was driving down the freeway, his car phone rang. Answering, he heard his wife's voice urgently warning him, "Herman, I just heard on the news that there's a car going the wrong way on Interstate 280. Please be careful!"

Herman said, "It's not just one car. It's hundreds of them"



The Tucson "Spy" der Web



The Tucson "SPY-der Web"
January, 2002

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HAPPY NEW YEAR - to all our members. I hope 2002 will be a year to remember and that we will have many good times together.

WELCOME - to new member Ted Hinderacker (51-79) and his wife Laura. They just moved to Tucson from Napa, CA and reside at 9363 N. Sunflower Bloom Place, Tucson AZ 8573 Tel 579-7224. (TedLauraH@aol.com

DUES IS DUE - only three outstanding....send your \$15.00 to George Kopecky, 6222 W. Lost Canyon Dr. Tucson, AZ 85745. Make check out to XFBI-Tucson Chapter.

THE TUCSON CHAPTER -has a complete web page at: <http://www.xgboy.com/html/tuchxfbi.html> Page contains numerous links to FBI locally, Society and FBI Nationally. There is a new XFBI Calendar there will all kinds of important dates....Take a look.

OUR NEW WESTERN VP - for the Society is ROBERT GAST. We wish him well in his new assignment.

FBIAA - Contributions for family of Len Hatton, Special Agent from Newark, who died in the WTC can be made to: Leonard Hatton Family Fund, FBIAA, PO Box 250, New Rochelle, NY 10801

SOCIETY ML (XGBOYS) - now has over 1200 subscribers and is available to any member who has an e-mail address. Subscribe at:

http://xgboy.com/html/xgboy_listserv.html

Some recent hot topics...

PENTTBOM, FBI Raid Jackets, Rotten Beans & Chili, SAMBA Penalty, Federal

Re-employment, Retired Credentials, Sky Marshals, Volunteering to helpFBI, Charlie Donlon, Polygraph, Hansen, Whitey Bulger, FBI Books,Peltier, etc.

LARRY BAGLEY - is back in town and hopes to be at the Christmas dinner on Dec 1 at Heritage Highlands.

THE NATIONAL CONVENTION - in Toronto was very special for many

reasons. There were more than six hundred attending on the heels of the September 11 disaster. The whole program was a First Class Presentation. The results of the election were as follows:

President-Elect Thomas E. Tierney
Treasurer Joseph D. Domzalski
Member-at-Large Thomas O. Goldsworthy
Northeast VP Edward D. O'Brien
Mid-Atlantic VP David W. Holmes
Western VP Robert S. GastII

WELCOME - to new members CHARLES JOHNSON, GARY RAYBURN and REGINA SUPERNEAU. We hope that Tucson agrees with you and that we will see a lot of you in the coming year.

FBI GUNS STOLEN - Three high-powered FBI guns - along with a laptop computer and a digital camera - were stolen in Queens from an agent who left them overnight in a parked car. And to add insult to injury, the thief also ripped off an FBI parking sticker. The unmarked FBI vehicle was vandalized sometime after 2 p.m. after Agent Jennifer Bleier parked at 121st Street and 22nd Avenue in College Point, sources said.

BIOGRAPHY FORMS - are available at each meeting. We need to update our biographies and furnish a recent photo for our Secretary.

THE SUPREME COURT - (after a

long FBI investigation) has once again ruled that there cannot be a nativity scene in Washington, DC this Christmas. This isn't for any religious or constitutional reason. They simply have not been able to find three wise men and a virgin in the Nation's capitol. There was no problem however finding enough asses to fill the stable.

GUATEMALA KILLINGS - The FBI will send three agents from the bureau, Miami field office to investigate the death of Missouri journalist Larry Lee, killed two years ago Friday in Guatemala. The agents will "review the case files and investigate leads that haven't been pursued" in both Lee, death and seven others.

FBI WIDOW FIGHTS FOR 9/11 FUNDS - The widow of the lone FBI agent killed while helping to rescue civilians during the World Trade Center attack was turned down for benefits by the city's Twin Towers Fund, The Post has learned. Joanne Hatton, widow of FBI agent Leonard Hatton, was told she did not qualify for aid from the fund because her husband was a federal employee. "I was told my husband did not qualify because he was not a police officer in New York," Joanne Hatton told The Post. "But he worked fighting crime in New York City for 10 years. Doesn't that qualify him?"

The FBI (news - web sites) said it was hunting for a dangerous New Jersey man who hit the road with \$5 million he allegedly stole from ATM machines, taking along with him his aptly-named cats "Bonnie and Clyde."

LONG TERM CARE - (LTC) package that the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) has been working on, has selected two insurance companies to provide the LTC benefits for active and retired federal employees and military personnel. The two companies are Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. and John Hancock Life Insurance Co. These two companies have formed a new company, Long Term Care Partners LLC, to exclusively operate the federal program. The new company has been given a seven year contract. Premium rates and benefit options, to be announced in February, were expected by OPM to be 15 to 20 pct below commercial rates.

PRESIDENT ATTENDS CHURCH - President Bush took communion at church and went for a brisk jog with his dog on a rare weekend spent in Washington. Bush and his wife listened at the Episcopal church as the Rev. Luis Leon pondered the character of Jesus Christ. When Leon directed his listen-

ers to greet their neighbors in the pews, Bush shook several hands, including that of his FBI director, Robert Mueller, a regular at the church.

BILL SHAFTNER - has a new address: Bill Shaftner 210 N. Maguire Ave, Apt. 318, Tucson, AZ 85710 E-mail is still: WMShaft@webtv.net Phone 520-751-7815

THE SAVAGE NATION - member Henry Savage's niece, SA Nancy Savage (President of the FBIAA) will be a speaker at the convention in Scottsdale. She is married to Tom Becker, a retired agent, but uses her maiden name with the Bureau. Her father Robert Savage, who was Henry's brother, died a few years ago. He was a resident agent in Stockton, California for about twenty years. Another daughter is married to John Kilroy, a supervisor at Bureau headquarters and for a time was a supervisor in the Seattle office.

THE NATIONAL CONVENTION 2002 - is scheduled for September 11-15, 2002 at the Camelback Inn in Scottsdale, AZ. Jim Yelvington will chair and the Phoenix Chapter will host. If any Tucson Chapter members would like to help out at the convention please let Tom McGorray know.

One evening a grandson was talking to his grandfather about current events. He asked what he thought about the shootings at schools, the computer age, and just things in general.

The granddad replied, "Well, let me think a minute ...I was born before television, penicillin, polio shots, frozen foods, Xerox, contact lenses, Frisbees and the pill. There was no radar, credit cards, laser beams or ball-point pens. Man had not invented pantyhose, air conditioners, dishwashers, clothes dryers, well the clothes were hung out to dry in the fresh air and man hadn't yet walked on the moon.

Your grandmother and I got married first-and then lived together. Every family had a father and a mother, and every boy over 14 had a rifle that his dad taught him how to use and respect. And they went hunting and fishing together.

Until I was 25, I called every man older than I, 'Sir' -and after I turned 25, I still called policemen and every man with a title, 'Sir.' Sundays were set aside for going to church as a family, helping those in need, and visiting with family or neighbors.

We were before gay-rights, computer-dating, dual careers, daycare centers, and group therapy. Our lives were governed by the Ten Commandments, good judgment, and common sense. We were taught to know the difference between right and wrong and to stand up and take responsibility for our actions.

Serving your country was a privilege; living here was a bigger privilege.

We thought fast food was what people ate during Lent. Having a meaningful relationship meant getting along with your cousins.

Draft dodgers were people who closed their front doors when the evening breeze started. Time-sharing meant time the family spent together in the evenings and weekends-not purchasing condominiums.

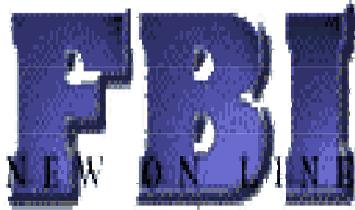
We never heard of FM radios, tape decks, CDs, electric typewriters, yogurt, or guys wearing earrings. We listened to the Big Bands, Jack Benny, and the President's speeches on our radios. And I don't ever remember any kid blowing his brains out listening to Tommy Dorsey.

If you saw anything with 'Made in Japan' on it, it was junk. The term 'making out' referred to how you did on your school exam.

Pizza Hut, McDonald's, and instant coffee were unheard of. We had 5 & 10-cent stores where you could actually buy things for 5 and 10 cents.

Ice cream cones, phone calls, rides on a streetcar, and a Pepsi were all a nickel. And if you didn't want to splurge, you could spend your nickel on enough stamps to mail 1 letter and 2 postcards.

You could buy a new Chevy Coupe for \$600, but who could afford one? Too bad, because gas was 11 cents a gallon. In my day, 'grass' was mowed, 'coke' was a cold drink, 'pot' was something your mother cooked in, and 'rock music' was



Our Life in the FBI
by Thom McGorray

*In a world of strife, from all walks of
 life,*

*We're born, we grow, we try.
 Hard to explain, how it all began
 Our life in the FBI.*

*We shot some pool, but finished school
 Gave something a three year try.
 The time it flew, next thing we knew,
 We joined the FBI.*

*We all began, as a new agent man,
 With gun and badge and books.
 We learned the rule, at Quantico school
 On how to catch the crooks.*

*We shot the gun, till it was no fun,
 Some fugitives we ran.
 Study their needs, follow some leads
 We always got our man.*

*Spent lots of time, on organized crime,
 On men of ill repute.
 These family folk, who's life's a joke*

Their brother they would shoot.

*A good old slob, shot on the job
 We saw a good man die.
 He paid the price, for being nice,
 We sigh, we grieve, we cry.*

*Success we knew, as we worked on a
 crew,
 A squad of very good men.
 We past the test, made the arrest
 We caught, perhaps a Top Ten.*

*Some gave a try, and worked FCI
 The infamous KGB.
 Some spent time, on white collar crime,
 Fraud was oft hard to see.*

*Some tried to be, Supervisory,
 I guess they had a great need.
 They gave it a try, to climb up high
 Perhaps they needed to lead.*

*Time came and went, our days they
 were spent,
 Retirement time came our way.
 Some were glad, and some were sad,
 On what some called their last day.*

*But friendships remain, some never
 wain,
 An agent, a brother, a friend.
 The things that we know, will blossom
 and grow
 And consume our hearts till the end.*

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Dr. Seuss Explains Why Computers Sometimes Crash

If a packet hits a pocket on a socket on a port,
and the bus is interrupted at a very last resort,
and the access of the memory makes your floppy disk abort,
then the socket packet pocket has an error to report.

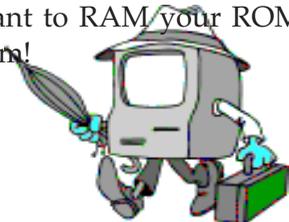
If your cursor finds a menu item followed by a dash,
and the double-clicking icon puts Your window in the trash,
and your data is corrupted cause the index doesn't hash,
then your situation's hopeless and your system's gonna crash!!

If the label on the cable on the table at your house
says the network is connected to the button on your mouse,
but your packets want to tunnel to another protocol,
that's repeatedly rejected by the printer down the hall,

and your screen is all distorted by the side effects of gauss,
so your icons in the window are as wavy as a souse;
then you may as well reboot and go out with a bang,
'cuz sure as I'm a poet, the sucker's gonna hang!

When the copy of your floppy's getting sloppy in the disk,
and the macro code instructions cause unnecessary risk,
then you'll have to flash the memory and you'll want to RAM your ROM.
Quickly turn off the computer and be sure to tell your Mom!

WELL! That certainly clears things up for ME.



MONEY...

It can buy you a Bed
But not Sleep

It can buy you a Clock
But not Time

It can buy you a Book
But not Knowledge

It can buy you a Position
But not Respect

It can buy you Medicine
But not Health

It can buy you Blood
But not Life

It can buy you Sex
But not Love

So you see money isn't everything.
And it often causes pain and suffering.
I tell you all this because I am your
Friend, and as your Friend I want to take
away your pain and suffering....

So send me all your money
and I will suffer for you.

Cash is fine.



Epitaphs to lighten your day

On the grave of Ezekiel Aikle
in East Dalhousie Cemetery, Nova
Scotia:

Here lies Ezekiel Aikle Age 102
The Good Die Young.

In a London, England cem-
etry: Ann Mann

Here lies Ann Mann,
Who lived an old maid
But died an old Mann.
Dec. 8, 1767

In a Ribbesford, England, cem-
etry: Anna Wallace

The children of Israel wanted
bread and the Lord sent them
manna, Old clerk Wallace wanted a
wife, and the Devil sent him Anna.

Playing with names in a
Ruidoso, New Mexico, cemetery:

Here lies Johnny Yeast
Pardon me for not rising.

Lester Moore was a Wells,
Fargo Co. station agent for Naco,
Arizona in the cowboy days of the
1880's. He's buried in the Boot Hill
Cemetery in Tombstone, Arizona:

Here lies Lester Moore
Four slugs from a .44
No Les No More.

TUCSON CHAPTER CALENDAR

- January 8 Lunch - HomeTown Buffet
Speaker: Joel Carlson - Terroism

- February 4 Lunch - Home Town Buffet
Speaker: Chief Danny Sharp
Oro Valley PD

- March 4 Lunch - Home Town Buffet
Speaker Needed

- April 1 Lunch - Home Town Buffet
Speaker: SAC Lupe Gonzalez

- April 4-7 Western Regional - San Diego

- May May Picnic: Date & Place open
Any Suggestions?



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