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7. *When you are sick, stay away from me until you are well again. I don't want whatever you have ...*

8. *When you fall, I'll pick you up and dust you off-- after I laugh my rear off!*

9. *This is my oath... I pledge it to the end.*

'Why?' you may ask;

-- because you are my FRIEND!

Friendship is like peeing your pants, everyone can see it, but only YOU can feel the true warmth.

The High Seas

A U.S. Navy captain was about to start the morning briefing to his staff. While waiting for the coffee machine to finish its brewing, the captain decided to pose a question to all assembled.

He explained that his wife had been a bit frisky the night before and he failed to get his usual amount of sound sleep.

He posed the question of just how much of sex was "work" and how much of it was "pleasure?"

A commander chimed in with 75-25% in favor of work.

A lieutenant said it was 50-50%.

An ensign responded with 25-75% in favor of pleasure, depending upon his state of inebriation at the time.

There being no consensus, the captain turned to the seaman who was in charge of making the coffee. What was HIS opinion?

Without any hesitation, the young seaman responded, "Sir, it has to be 100% pleasure."

The captain was surprised and, as you might guess, asked why?

"Well, sir, if there was any work involved, the officers would have me doing it for them."

The room fell silent.

God bless the enlisted man.



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The victim was talking on her cell phone with her mother, who was in Ohio, about 4:45 p.m. Thursday as she walked through the parking lot of her complex on Avenida Venusto.

The mother told police that she heard a man's voice, followed by a screeching or yelling sound.

The woman then lost contact with her daughter. She tried to call her back but was unsuccessful, so she contacted San Diego police.

"We were able to talk to her a little more in detail about the content of the conversation. That helped us focus on Saldivar," Rooney said.

Officers entered the victim's apartment, using a master key, and found her body, which had been repeatedly stabbed.

Residents at the complex, which backs onto a golf course, were shaken by the violence. Many said they did not know Saldivar or his family.

Escondido City Council Ponies Up More Money for Arts Center

The Escondido City Council last week approved \$306,500 in additional funding for the California Center for the Arts, Escondido, to cover its 2008-09 deficit.

The money will come from the city's shrinking emergency reserves.

The city owns the arts center, which opened in 1994, and is responsible for all its losses and debts even though a nonprofit foundation operates it.

Councilwoman Marie Waldron pulled the arts center item off the consent agenda — where items are passed routinely — for discussion because she said she opposes using more reserves. She cast the dissenting vote in the 4-1 funding decision.

Councilman Sam Abed also said he was concerned about the continued deficits at the center, which has operated in the red since it opened, except for three years. The city has always paid off the deficits.

This fiscal year, the council said enough. The city is struggling because of the recession and has had to lay off employees, cut compensation and services and use reserves to try to balance its budget. Council members decided they no longer wanted to be saddled with the arts center's deficits, as well.

The council decided to split the center into three components — the theater, the conference center and the museum — so that the city could change the management of each component to minimize losses.

But the foundation's board resisted the idea. Members of the council's arts center subcommittee are negotiating with the board.

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