

Gone From a Shot Five Things That Amuse Me

Student Legal Advice

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Imagine yourself lying in bed, bummed that you could not go to this party your friend from school was having. Another friend, however, ends up going and you text him throughout the night until he suddenly stops replying. What you don't know is that your friend is intoxicated beyond imagination. At the party, he has become obnoxious and ignorant. A group of people at the party decide to go to the nearest shopping market to pick up cigarettes and all subsequently pile in the car your increasingly intoxicated friend is driving. This group has just placed their lives in the hands of a person whose judgment is totally wrecked by the effects of alcohol.

Motor vehicle accidents are the leading cause of death in the United States for persons under age 24, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Morbidity and Mortality Reports. Of those deaths, more than 40 percent are alcohol-related. Now, it's true that a majority of the time your

friends are okay after the night ends, but did they learn anything? Or did their luck just fuel their thoughts of invincibility? That is something to think about next time you are faced with a situation like this one and are forced to make choices about drinking.

Do parents realize the liabilities their children are faced with when drinking illegally or drinking and driving? Ashlyn Mckerahan, a Bartow High School senior, said she thinks, "it is in the back of their heads, but that they have 'that cannot happen to my family' attitude." Ashlyn also pointed out that those parents also share the same attitude as most of the students who drink underage.

Therefore, it is important for your parents to realize the chances they take when not talking to you about the consequences of drinking and driving. Reconsider the actions you take now, because they might affect you forever.

As Joe Van Hart, a Summerlin Academy senior said, "I'd kill my friend if he got behind the wheel drunk, that is if he didn't kill himself first."

before students arrive, to picking up all of the trash left behind by students at lunch. They also deal with emergencies that arise during the day. The main custodial staff comes on duty after school is over for the day. Their job includes cleaning of offices, classrooms and hallways, making sure the cafeteria is clean enough to pass health inspections and that the grounds are picked up. If students were making their job easier in simply helping to pick up trash, perhaps that time savings would translate to more time to clean and restock bathrooms.

But perhaps some help could be had. It would make a difference if enhancements like hand dryers could be placed in the bathrooms. This small addition could save the custodians time to work

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There are many things that amuse me. Of course, since I'm limited by space and a certain amount of words, I'll list my top 5. They range from everyday people to everyday situations. I may label them as "that one person" for that situation to give a better point of view.

To start off, (and probably my favorite) is the guy who doesn't know what he's doing and won't admit it. There is at least one of this person that can be found in every family and in everyday life. An example, my father spent three hours trying to build a doll house, with my uncle one Christmas for my sister. My mother suggested he "read the directions." My dad replied with the simple "Uh-huh" and continued to try and put it together. From this, my point is that the stubbornness of people is quite funny.

The nervous air plane person, is quite obviously a person who you see on air planes. These people are fidgety and talk to people next to them about airplane crash statistics. They may also sweat a lot and let out the occasional "were going to crash scream" at the first sign of turbulence.

on other projects and also help keeping the students hands cleaner, resulting in less chance of spreading viruses and bacteria.

Teachers and administration have their own staff bathrooms so they don't understand the students' dilemma. But it is one that the student body hopes someone will address.

On an average grading scale from 'A' to 'F', students polled rate the jobs the custodians and their supervisors are doing as a 'C' or a 'D'. In a school concerned about improving its grade to an 'A', why are they not concerned about the cleanliness of student bathrooms? It may be just one small aspect of campus life and education, but for students, it's an important one

The way too serious about sports person, this most commonly found in men, but there are women scattered amongst the crowd. They are found at bars, sporting events, Thanksgiving gatherings, and every Saturday, Sunday and Monday night football game. They tend to think that every play cost them their life, and will even yell at TVs, referees, opposing team, players, and fellow supporters. They'll act as if they have lost their house when the referee makes a questionable call. I myself have found that I fall into this crowd in certain situations as well. And every fan will show his or her true colors during "rivalry week" in college football.

The always happy person, I love. These people could brighten a black hole with the sunshine and happiness that radiates from them. They are always happy, smiling, laughing, hugging, and tend to wear bright colors that make them stand out.

The movie that never gets old, everyone can relate to this. There has to be one movie that you enjoy watching more than once a week. The bulk of the movies are comedy, but my personal favorite is "Quarantine" and is a horror movie. I hope you enjoyed my top five and I encourage you to write your own.

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prove things, there is still much to do. Remember, however, students feel it is the fault of their peers and not totally the custodians when it comes to blame as to why campus bathrooms are a problem area on campus.

To have the students call each other out on personal hygiene is a consistent reminder that the administration is not the only ones at blame here.

Kyra Love, another IB senior stated, "it's the students not necessarily the custodians, but they should come more often".

Part of the issue is budgeting. Only two custodial workers are on campus during school hours. Their job is immense, from opening the school and making sure everything is operational

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