



Tam's Front Porch Ponderings
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Remember how I mentioned last week that EVERYONE is welcome at my Momma's house for Sun-

Momma's Unwelcome House Guest

day lunch? I must retract that statement! Mom has had a house guest since last Thursday night and no matter how hard we try, we cannot get that guest to leave. We've tried being sweet and persuasive, we've offered incentives, Momma has offered to drive her guest to a new location, free of charge, and, yes, Momma has fed her guest every day including Sunday, but evidently Momma is too gracious a hostess. This latest guest has taken up residency... under Momma's house!

At first, we noticed a faint perfume in the air but that's not uncommon, we live in the country and are accus-

tomed to all kinds of scents floating on the breeze. Hon- eysuckle, lilac, roses, nar- cissus, but this perfume was a little different. Although vague, it was a very distinct aroma and by Friday after- noon, Momma was prop- ing open all the doors and opening the windows to let the house 'air'. The week- ly Sunday lunch found us gathered around Momma's table, doors and windows open, all of us in jackets to ward off the chill the cross breeze had caused and still, the odor! Prominent now to the point of making our eyes water!! I'm sure you've figured out that Momma's house guest is a black and

white ball of fur that we 'lovingly' refer to as Pepe' Le Pew! We've had skunks in our garage, our dogs have been sprayed, even Corky has been sprayed but noth- ing could have prepared us for a skunk making his (or her) new home under the house. My word, do those things spray just for fun?! About the time we think we've got it aired out anoth- er wave of fragrance hits us! I've begged Momma to just move in with us until this all 'blows' over but she won't hear of it.

My nephew Taylor, set a live trap in Momma's back yard and she filled it with all kinds of treats. Pepe' man- aged to turn the trap over and eat all the way around the trap but never went IN the trap. Last night Corky reset the trap, staked it to the ground (around 9:00 p.m.) and Mom began the 'watch' for Pepe' to come out from underneath the porch. About 10:15 Mom phoned, "He's out! He's out! Come quick!"

I'm not sure exactly what she wanted us to do but we both jumped up, grabbed our flashlights and guns and headed out the road. By the time we got there he was hiding back under the porch with just his nose stick- ing out between the lattice strips. Under the watchful eye of Momma's three cats, there was no way Pepe' was heading to the trap. One cat was simply curious, cat number two wanted to fight with it and cat number three wanted to be buddies and play! Talk about a three ring circus! Mom was at the back door calling for the cats to come inside, I was perched on top of the wash- ing machine, peering out the utility room window as Pepe' slipped out from un- der the left side of the porch. Corky eased around the cor- ner of the house with his gun aimed like Elmer Fudd but Pepe' escaped! The live trap was empty this morn- ing and Momma is back to propping open doors and

opening windows. I guess I better get busy preparing my small kitchen for Sunday's lunch, if Pepe' is still visiting, the weekly tradition of dining together will have to be at MY house! I do not welcome EVERY- ONE like my Momma, so Pepe' needs to find some- place else to eat his Sunday dinner!

Until next time...

Tam

top ten
Most Important Living Musicians

1. Tony Allen
2. Charles Aznavour
3. Harry Belafonte
4. Tony Bennett
5. Chuck Berry
6. Beyonce
7. Jay-Z
8. Bono
9. David Bowie
10. Garth Brooks

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ESTILL COUNTY SCHOOLS MENUS

Milk is included with every meal; plus assorted juices included with breakfast

MONDAY March 30	TUESDAY March 21	WEDNESDAY April 1	THURSDAY April 2	FRIDAY April 3
ELEMENTARY BREAKFASTS				
Mini Maple Waffles, Syrup, Apple	Toast, Orange Slices, Cinn. Toast Crunch	Scrambled Eggs, Toast, Applesauce	Strawberry Poptart, Fruit Loops, Pears	Muffins, Pineapples
SOUTH IRVINE LUNCHES				
Chicken pattie on Bun, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Pineapple Tidbits	Round Cheese Pizza, Broccoli Bites, Romaine Salad, Apples, Ranch Dressing	Hamburger on Bun, Tomato Slices, Baked Beans, French Fries, Pears	Pizza Munchable, Marinara Sauce, Baby Carrots, Raisins	Chicken Fajita w/Shell, Shredded Lettuce, Mozzarella Cheese, Fruit
ESTILL SPRINGS LUNCHES				
Chicken pattie on Bun, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Pineapple Tidbits	Round Cheese Pizza, Broccoli Bites, Romaine Salad, Apples, Ranch Dressing	Hamburger on Bun, Tomato Slices, Baked Beans, French Fries, Pears	Pizza Munchable, Marinara Sauce, Baby Carrots, Raisins	Chicken Fajita w/Shell, Shredded Lettuce, Mozzarella Cheese, Fruit
WEST IRVINE LUNCHES				
Chicken Nuggets, Roll, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Apple	Round Cheese Pizza, Corn, Steamed Broccoli, Applesauce	Hamburger on Bun, Lettuce & Tomato, Potato Smiles, Pork & Beans, Strawberry Fruit Cup	Chicken Fajita Wrap, Shredded Cheese or Chicken Quesadilla, Refried Beans, Veggies, Oranges	Hot Dog on bun or Mr. Rib on Bun, Tater Tots, Carrots/Dip, Blueberries
ESTILL COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL BREAKFAST				
Mini Blueberry Pancakes, syrup or Cinn. Toast Crunch, Strawberry Poptart, Apple, Assorted Juice	Chicken Biscuit or Lucky Charms, Cereal, Brown Sugar, Cinnamon Poptart, Mandarin Oranges, Assorted Juice	French Toast Sticks w/syrup or Frosted Flakes, Strawberry Poptart, Pears, Assorted Juice	Trix Cereal, Cocoa Puffs Cereal, Brown Sugar, Cinnamon Poptart, Diced Peaches, Assorted Juice	Trix Yogurt, Cinnamon Toast Crunch Bar, Reese Puffs Cereal, Strawberry poptart, Pineapple Tidbits
ESTILL COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL LUNCH				
Chicken Nuggets, Texas Toast, Mashed Potatoes, California Blend, Peaches, Apples	Gilardi Breadsticks or Pepperoni Calzone, Marinara Sauce, Corn, Carrot Sticks, Pears, Pineapples	Grilled Chicken or MR. Rib on Bun, Lettuce, Tomato, Potato Smiles, Applesauce, Tropical Fruit	Spicy Chicken on Bun or Corn Dog, Baby Bakers, Slaw, Peaches, Orange	Deli Turkey Wrap or Chili Crispito, Let./Tom./Cheese, Refried Beans, Salsa, Pears, Pineapples
ESTILL COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL BREAKFAST				
Honey Nut Cheerios, Fruit Loops, Frosted Flakes, Pop Tart, Strawberry Banana or Triple Cherry Yogurt, Fruit	Cocoa Puffs, Lucky Charms, Pop Tart, Breakfast Pizza, Raspberry or Cherry Yogurt, Apples and Oranges	Cinn. Toast Crunch, Apple Cinnamon, Cheerios, Pop Tarts, Cereal Bars, Sausage Biscuit, Yogurt, Fruit	Trix Cereal, Fruit Loops, Pop Tarts, Cereal Bars, Mini Pancakes, Raspberry Yogurt, Apples & Oranges	Reese Puffs, Cocoa Puffs, Pop Tarts, Cereal Bars, Mini French Toast, Cherry or Raspberry Yogurt, Fruit
ESTILL COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL LUNCH				
Chicken Pattie or Pork Chop on Bun, Corn, Green Beans, Cooked Apples, Mandarin Oranges, Jucie	Hamburger or Grilled Chicken on Bun, Lettuce, Tomato, Potato Wedges, Applesauce, Side Kicks, Juice	BBQ on Bun or Mr. Rib on Bun, Mashed Potatoes, Glazed Carrots, Apple, Peach Cup, Juice	Corn Dog or Fish on Bun, Baked Beans, Slaw, Tropical Fruit, Applesauce, Juice	Chili & I Crackers, PB&J Sandwich, Carrot Sticks, Cauliflower Bites, Oranges, Fruit Cocktail, Juice

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