

American Hero



The book of Ecclesiastes tells us that there is nothing new under the sun. Nothing better exemplifies this than the famous quote, "No one ever went broke underestimating the taste of the American public." This quote, spoken by this week's American Hero rings true today for several reasons. Although H.L. Mencken was referring to the lunacy of prohibition and the Scopes Monkey Trial, his sentiment transcends timeframes. In a time when it is not necessary to understand what the Bush Doctrine is in order to run for Vice President, as long as you hold popular positions on social issues, we at *The Clarion* feel that Mencken would be just as biting in his satire of today's world as he was towards his own. However, we at *The Clarion* would like to point out that you can, apparently, go broke by overestimated the taste of the American public (cough AIG, cough Merrill Lynch).

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Sex permeates the American culture. Everywhere you look advertisers are using bikini babes to sell beer and long-haired men with swimmer's bodies to sell aftershave. Sex sells and influences decisions. But using sex to advertise that a parking space is for handicapped only? Perhaps this rest stop on Highway 74 in Andrews, North Carolina went just a step too far.

Horoscopes



By *The Clarion* Astrolosquad

Aries: If your BAC becomes higher on your IQ, maybe it's time to sit the next few plays out.

Lucky Color: Word of God red

Taurus: Voting for somebody because you consider them to be a MILF is not being a responsible citizen.

Lucky Color: Economic outlook dark

Gemini: You will spell Chuck Norris in Scrabble, effectively winning. Forever.

Lucky Color: Whirled Peas

Cancer: Need and ego boost? Go to uglypeople.com and people-watch. Your self-confidence will go up 110%.

Lucky Color: Bad moonshine blindness

Leo: Turn up Lil' Wayne as loud as possible, roll your windows down, and drive around campus at three miles per hour. Apparently it's the cool thing to do these days.

Lucky Color: Deep fried Snickers

Virgo: It's cool that you're trying to be sustainable and all, but you don't have to conserve water by drinking out of Kings Creek. You will get parasites and die.

Lucky Color: Jabba the Hut

Libro: Be our generation's Che Guevara- start a revolt to overthrow the New Facebook.

Lucky Color: Rasheed Wallace's birthmark

Scorpio: If you ever think your family is crazy, stop and tell yourself, "Yeah, but at least they aren't Vince Young."

Lucky Color: Radosav Babic's beautiful skin

Sagittarius: If you see Michael Phelps on the street, don't run up to him screaming and acting like a crazed fan. Play it cool and tell him how he sucked on SNL. He will respect you much more for "keeping it real."

Lucky Color: Maroon 5

Capricorn: Save money on gas- bring back rollerblading.

Lucky Color: Loogie

Aquarius: You will become rich beyond your wildest dreams when you invent a solution that allows Tony Romo to hold on to the football.

Lucky Color: Chafing

Pisces: Looking to transform your life? Change your name to an adverb.

Lucky Color: CFC light