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## Heat

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places to cool off and work out at the same time. Springfield offers the Willamalane Park Swim Center and the Lively Park Swim Center, which has a water slide and a large wave pool. Both are good places to enjoy cool water and chlorine.

A simpler way to get cool is to go into a local grocery and stand in the frozen foods aisle for a while, although it would be a good idea to move around and act like a shopper to avoid suspicious looks from store employees. Other large, air conditioned commercial buildings include Circuit City, the Oakway Center, Target and Trader Joe's.

For those with a literary bent, libraries make a good escape destination. The Eugene Public Library and the University's Knight Library are

both large and air conditioned, with plenty of titles to keep readers occupied until the sun goes down. Bookstores are also good places for reading, but don't have as much seating to accommodate those just trying to make it out of the sun.

If leaving home isn't an option, then living quarters can always be revamped to escape the heat. Air conditioners can cost anywhere from \$100 to \$850, but will certainly make indoor life a little more tolerable. Fans, which are much cheaper but less effective, are also a good thing to keep around.

However one beats the heat this summer, it is always important to remember one thing: It's gotten up to 117 degrees in Phoenix, Ariz., so it could be worse.

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## Montry

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in the first one. But I can't — no, I refuse — to see another American Pie movie until somebody kidnaps the screenwriter and replaces him with someone with some semblance of original thought. That, or perhaps a bottle of Jim Beam, will get me through yet another mundane cinematic nightmare.

• "Freaky Friday," starring Jamie Lee Curtis and Lindsay Lohan, features an overly uptight mother and an angst-ridden, rebellious 15-year-old girl who can't seem to relate to each other. So something miraculous and magical happens that final-

ly allows both parties to be in the other's shoes for awhile, after which a realization takes place and they live happily ever after in mother-daughter relationship bliss.

Yeah, that's never been done before. How about the first billion times they made it? Here's a hint to the filmmakers: Count your losses and give up. The movie sucked before, and it will surely suck now.

So there you have it, four movies that are sure to sap the life from any viewer suckered into watching them. That is if you take my advice, irrational and bitter as it is.

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### Horoscope by Linda C. Black

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (July 31). An ongoing argument about money could get in the way of romance. Instead of spending more, put in more work, and your relationship will grow stronger. You'll both have to change expectations, but it's a good exercise.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) \_ Today is an 8 \_ You should be in a pretty good mood, but don't let that make you sloppy. Not everything will go as anticipated. Try to figure it out before you're surprised.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) \_ Today is a 6 \_ You still have a stack of chores to do, but you could take some time to relax. It would be better not to work too fast.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21) \_ Today is a 7 \_ Put money away for a rainy day, when you may feel like traveling. Heed criticism from an insightful person, but reserve the right to decide for yourself.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22) \_ Today is a 5 \_ Follow your habits and your routine, and stash away as many goodies as you can. You might need them someday soon. Be as prepared as possible.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) \_ Today is an 8 \_ You may soon discover there's not quite as much in your coffers as you thought. This is good to know. It'll spur you to new heights of creativity.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \_ Today is a 6 \_ The odds are good that things won't turn out exactly as you'd planned. This is your cue to get busy, not to have a hissy fit.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) \_ Today is a 7 \_ Again, you want to check all facts before passing them on. Review your work for typos, too, and don't believe all that you hear.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) \_ Today is a 6 \_ You're in a delicate phase of the negotiations. Make sure you have the facts and figures to back up your claim. And ask for more than you'll get.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) \_ Today is a 7 \_ Don't get overzealous. Remember, the details really do matter. This is a lesson you don't want to learn the hard way.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) \_ Today is a 7 \_ Don't start off on your adventure yet; there's something you haven't considered. A change that's beyond your control could inspire a revision.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \_ Today is a 7 \_ The action could be fast and furious for the next couple of days. Don't make big decisions till you have all the facts. That might not be till next Monday.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20) \_ Today is a 7 \_ By now you may have lulled yourself into a familiar routine. Don't let your guard down. A new discovery could require a quick change of plans.

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