



LUNAR ECLIPSE STRIKES AWE AND WONDER TO PEOPLE ALL AROUND THE COUNTRY

By: Kai M.

A Picture of the Bloodmoon



On September 17, 2015, a quite remarkable thing took place. This was a rare "Blood Moon" supermoon lunar eclipse. Although lunar eclipses happen often (Twice a year), this specific event is not going to happen for another 32

years. That's a while from now! It was quite a sight, even in LA county, where it was overcast (cloudy). Although it was least visible in Los Angeles, people gathered around to see the beautiful occurrence take place.

Dams - A Good Idea?

By: Miss Skywalker

A Picture of The Hoover Dam



All around the world there are many dams. Some of those dams are for generating power, others are for watering crops. Dams can be helpful and harmful at the same time. Should we make more?

Dams can be helpful in some ways . Some dams help power places like China and Thailand. Other dams may clog rivers to make lakes. The lakes can be used for swimming, fishing, boating and other water activities.

Dams can be harmful too. Towns that eat mainly fish and need power too need to decide if they need the fish or the power more. Some new dams in China and their reservoirs have flooded riverside villages and farms. Will this happen to us too?

So, should we build more dams? They can be a good thing. Dams can also be a bad thing. Tell me what you think about dams! Email me what you think and your name at missskywalkerlbtbtimes@yahoo.com and I might put it in the paper.

Three Masked Men

(Short Story) By: Miss ?

GRANDMA: Thank you so much for watering the flowers and watching the dogs. Now remember you only need to come over on Tuesday and Friday. Okay, we are out of here. Oh, and we will be checking our security cameras on our nifty new smart phones. Ring...Ring! Oh that's the smart phone now! Hello!

GRANDDAUGHTER: Hi Grandma! Are you leaving for vacation yet?

GRANDMA: Your grandpa and I are headed out right now.

GRANDDAUGHTER: Perfect, Okay ... bye!

GRANDMA: Okay, goodbye sweetie...grandma loves you!

Two days later...grandma and grandpa were checking their smart phones like they had done the past 2 nights. This time, however, they saw something different! There were three people, in black masks in their home...THEY WERE BEING ROBBED! They were going through their stuff and putting things in bags. One of them started to make a sandwich; another one was taking the art off of the walls; the third one was stuffing the dog into a pillowcase. Grandma and grandpa's hearts stopped! They were frozen in fear. All they could do was sit and watch. They started to think about all of their belongings: their family photos, kids' and grandkids' trophies that were mounted on the wall, and all of their jewelry and valuables. Grandma and grandpa began to think it was bizarre that all three of the masked men were staying right in front of the cameras the entire time. Finally, they gained their composure and started to dial 911! As they started to dial, however, the three masked men stood in front of the camera and took off their masks and yelled "April Fools!" It was their 3 grandkids playing a prank on them!

The Grimpoteuthis



By: Shadow Daisy

You'd have to look twice at this animal to make sure it's not fantasy! The Grimpoteuthis (Umbrella Octopus) is a little known breed of octopus.

They roam the waters of New Zealand, Australia, Monterey Bay, California, Oregon, Philippines,

Papua, and New Guinea. They be located floating just above the seafloor at 9800 to 13000 feet below the surface. This makes the Grimpoteuthis the deepest living octopus species.

They have semi- translucent ears that can come in blue or other colors and they have eight webbed tentacles.

The Grimpoteuthis pounces on their prey which include bristle worms and amphipods and swallow it whole. A lot of the food they eat is found floating along a current or in ocean vents.

Cool, right? If you want to learn more about this animal, click here:

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Grimpoteuthis>

Elmarie

THE FOUNDER OF LEARN BEYOND THE BOOK

By: Miss “?”

We have all come to know and love Elmarie Hyman as the founder of LBTB, but here are some things you probably didn't know about her. Elmarie was born in Smithfield, a small town in South Africa, where she attended Petoria University and graduated with a degree in Accounting. At the age of 23, Elmarie and her husband moved to the United States for her husband to study here. Elmarie has 4 kids: a 20 year old, an 18 year old, a 14 year old, and a 12 year old. Elmarie has been homeschooling them their whole lives. It technically took Elmarie 15 years to start LBTB because that's how long she has been homeschooling. During those years, Elmarie would teach free classes to friends in homeschooling co-ops and even some classes out of her home. Elmarie found that homeschoolers needed more than just these classes, however, and that's when she started LBTB. Have you ever wondered where the name Learn Beyond The Book came from? Well, she used the name from the curriculum she sold. It was already registered, so she just kept that name. In the future, Elmarie wants to own a building for LBTB with an outside play area. She also wants to continue to have awesome, engaging classes and to continue expanding to other cities. I wanted to give a big shout out to Elmarie! If it weren't for her, we wouldn't be able to come to this amazing school and enjoy all Elmarie has to offer with her wonderful classes!