

Considering Slot Machines

Dear Tim:

With the state's budget drying up faster than drizzle in the desert and the governor getting more and more desperate for a solution, I was just wondering how soon you'd be installing slot machines in the store.

-Gambler on Garrett

Dear Gambler:

The only state-sponsored gambling we've got in the store at the moment is the Ohio Lottery, but that's not to say things won't change. I doubt we'll be registering for a casino license any time soon or plying customers with free drinks and cheap shrimp cocktails, but we may start taking over/under bets on the governor's approval ratings. The way it's looking these days, the smart money's on the under.



**DEAR
TIM**

Dear Tim:

My dating life is a disaster. The last guy I went out with wore a Megadeth T-shirt to the restaurant and picked his teeth with his fork after dinner. And he was the most promising prospect of the last six months. I'm starting

to think I'm better off single. Any words of wisdom?

-Nearly Done on Northcrest

Dear Nearly Done:

Not sure if "hang in there" qualifies as words of wisdom, but that's my best advice. As you've probably learned, guys are a lot like the steaks we have back in the meat department. They start off raw, but with a little tenderizing and the right amount of seasoning they cook up pretty nicely. I'm not saying the Megadeth guy is your man. He and the other guys you meet may just need a little seasoning. So hang in there.

Dear Tim:

Are you into *Twilight*?

-Tween on Twin Rivers

Dear Tween:

If you're referring to my age, then yes.

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