



## JIVIN' MIKE'S

There's an ice cream parlor  
on Neat Kids Street.  
Jivin' Mike owns that shop.

"You want vanilla?!"  
Mike says to the chump,  
"Not groovy."

"It is a pleasure" Mike says,  
"for an attractively built female  
such as yourself  
to patronize our shop."  
The girl giggles and grins.  
"You get EXTRA whipped cream."  
Mike says.  
The girl giggles and grins.

And latter  
when the kids go home  
and turn on the tube  
they see a banana split  
Sunday.

Jivin' Mike looks down at it  
shakes his head disapprovingly,  
"Not as groovy." he says,  
"The toothpicks have got to have  
Little monkeys on them."

Jivin' Mike's Sundays  
all have little monkeys  
on the toothpicks.

—D. A. Wilson

## ELEMENTS OF DESIGN

The curve  
a line  
many lines  
words  
words and numbers  
lines words and numbers  
and curves  
lines words numbers and curves.

Elements of design.

—D. A. Wilson

## MARCH ALMANAC

- 03/02 1877 Rutherford B. Hayes declared President by U.S. Congress, even though the popular vote was won by Samuel J. Tilden on November 7, 1876.
- 03/05 1946 Winston Churchill coined the phrase "Iron Curtain" at a speech in Missouri.
- 03/12 2017 FULL WORM MOON
- 03/13 2013 Pope Francis was elected as 266<sup>th</sup> Pope of the Roman Catholic Church.
- 03/15 1985 The first Internet .com domain name was registered (symbolics.com).
- 03/16 2017 Bluesman James Cotton died, age 81.
- 03/17 2017 Poet Derek Walcott died in Saint Lucia.
- 03/18 1968 U.S. Congress repealed the requirement for a gold reserve to back U.S. currency.  
2017 Chuck Berry, King of Rock-N-Roll, died at home, Saint Charles, Missouri, age 90.
- 03/19 1895 Auguste & Louis Lumière recorded first footage on new patented cinematograph.  
1918 U.S. Congress established time zones and approved daylight saving time.  
2017 Newspaperman Jimmy Breslin died.
- 03/20 2017 SPRING EQUINOX IN THE EARTH'S NORTHERN HEMISPHERE
- 03/22 1630 Massachusetts Bay Colony outlawed possession of cards, dice, and gaming tables.
- 03/23 1853 Elisha Otis's first elevator was installed at 488 Broadway in New York City.
- 03/27 2017 NEW MOON
- 03/30 1746 Francisco Goya was born in Fuendetodos, Aragon, Spain.
- 03/31 1889 The Eiffel Tower was officially opened.

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