

Not-So-Free Eggs

Dear Tim:

Somebody told me you have free eggs. Is that true?

—Eggman on Edgevale

Dear Eggman:

Not exactly. We have free-range eggs, though, which means they come from hens that are permitted to roam freely instead of being contained in a pen or henhouse. Because they have a more natural diet, free-range hens lay eggs with a nutritional content that is believed to be better than those from other hens, with higher levels of vitamins and lower levels of fat. But you still have to pay for them.

Dear Tim:

I expected we'd have a tough game at Ohio Stadium, but we got squashed. Any words of solace?

—Kent Stater on Kenley

Dear Kent Stater:

All I can say is, you're not alone. A few Buckeyes opponents have felt that way this year. It happens to the best of teams now and again. But a good squash is



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not necessarily bad, especially this time of year. In fact we've got acorn squash, butternut squash, carnival squash and plenty of other savory squashes to make your season more flavorful. Whenever you're ready, of course.

Dear Tim:

Word is there was a repeat winner in the annual Huffman's Market Chili Cookoff this year. Is the fix in over there?

—Skeptical on Schirtzinger

Dear Skeptical:

The only fix in is the "fixins" in John Novak's Texas Ted's chili. He was the people's choice, and anyone interested in the title is going to have to beat him fair and square.

Dear Tim:

A friend of mine told me you have nice buns. Have you been working out?

—Trainer on Tremont

Dear Trainer:

Not the last time I checked. And while I appreciate your willingness to believe that that compliment was directed at me, I can assure you they were talking about the baked goods in aisle 3.

Dear Tim:

Trick or treat?

—Halloweenie on Hadleigh

Dear Halloweenie:

Treat.

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