

No Shut Eye for the Sleepy- eyed

Zzzzzzzzzzzz

Charge: Too many Zzzless nights, Mountain Dew overdoses, one too many all-nighters, class naps and replacing REM with CAF-
FEINE.

Verdict: **GUILTY** AS CHARGED

Sentence: (NOTE: These may vary depending upon the individual) Increased likelihood of being in an accident, heightened stress and/or anxiety, irritability, low concentration level, depression more likely, and may create other physical or mental problems.

Zzzzzzzzzzzz.....

Glassy droopy eyes gazing at a mound of books...

Gazing at the calendar, wishing
to God it was Friday...

Gulping down Mountain Dew... "Caffeine will wake me up."
"Just a few more pages to type,"
you tell yourself.

"I'll get at least three hours of sleep."

"I will just finish it tomorrow morning."

(Famous last words.)

These are the typical statements made by college students about their sleeping habits. Now one may ask, who is the sleep caper? There are a number of reasons why college students do not get enough sleep. "Enough sleep" is usually between seven to ten hours of sleep per night. Zzzless nights and all-nighters often occur, as a result of an overindulgence of caffeine stimulants, late nights, procrastination of schoolwork, working late shifts, stress, or the lack of sufficient time management.

Is it eazzzzzzzzzz to read thizzzzzzzzzz? No, of course not. Maybe you are sitting in class, and this is what you begin to read in your textbook. We're not talking about classes that put you to sleep, but the lack of sleep that make it seem that your time in class is like a dream. Students, who are not getting enough shut-eye at night, are feeling the effects in the day. ⁴⁴"Sleep deficit becomes a daytime deficit."

Are you a night owl who goes to midnight movies and craves midnight snacks? But classes often start early, and even owls need their sleep. Sleep deprivation can be dangerous to the average college student. How many students skip breakfast because they "do not have time?" A large hot cup of "French Vanilla extra, extra", or a bottle of Mountain Dew often replaces Mom's home cooked meal of bacon and eggs.

Caffeine is a drug, known as a

The frigid weather has done a lot more damage to the campus of Rhode Island College than most of us are aware of. The college did not not cancel classes or cause any teachers to postpone classes, however it did cause the pipes to freeze up and break in Weber hall.

The incident happened on Sunday, January 11 sometime in the late evening hours. There were no students in the building at the time of the initial break since it was before the start of the spring semester. A few RA's reported the incident to the physical plant, who then with the help of their staff and an outside contractor, worked long and hard to rectify this horrible unexpected disaster.

"Our first and number one goal was to minimize the damage to peoples' possessions," stated Director of Facilities and Operations at the Physical Plant Ed Brady. "From late Sunday evening basically to Tuesday night people were working 24 hours a day which helped us minimize the damage that had already been done," stated Brady.

It is important to note that this problem would not have been so damaging if it wasn't for the arctic-like temperatures and the

given age of Weber Hall. As many of you out there are unaware that Weber hall was completed in 1967, and it stands today with the same windows it had back in the late 1960's. "Weber is one of the last buildings on campus to have the old windows replaced," stated Brady. The new windows, which will be water proof, will be set in place over the summer of this year.

The areas hardest hit by this water disaster were Suites H and Suites N in Weber Hall. "Due to the burst pipes I lost my computer, printer, at least 50 videos, all my bedding supplies and my stereo, but more than that I lost sentimental items like pictures and stuffed animals that can't be replaced," stated Heather Black, a fourth year student at RIC in the secondary education history program and also an Anchor staff member. "I just felt like I had been kicked in the gut when I saw the room, and this happened only a couple of days before I had planned to permanently move out!" Black pointed out.

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If You Weren't With Us In Buffalo, You're Not Welcome In Houston

By: Paul J. Spetrini
Anchor Editor

"New England Patriots fans, your team is going to the Super Bowl..."

Ah, New England sports fans, you've got to love them. Known to loyally support their core teams (Bruins, Celtics, Sox, and Pats) in the worst of times, they truly are a unique bunch. Some fans will sit shirtless in subzero temperatures, stand outside for an endless amount of time on the smallest possibility that tickets might be available to a playoff game, or even GET A JOB at Gillette Stadium just to watch their beloved Patriots when they are finally shut out for the last time. Those are the true fans, people who don't switch channels and give up hope in the midst of a thirty point blowout, those are the fans that can now celebrate their AFC Champion New England Patriots, and root for them as they battle for their second title in three years.

But, then there are the others, the spoiled apples ruining it for the rest of the group. No doubt you've seen them, their all over the place it seems (including this campus)...fair weather fans with a couple of extra bucks who buy anything with a Patriots logo when they are winning and throw anything with that logo out when they are losing. Sure, they claim to always have been fans (*cough*), but where was their Patriots gear earlier in the year? And why does it all look so new? Could it be that they had simply lost it when the patri-



ots were 2-2 in September, or was it that they just bought it ten minutes after the patriots secured their spot in the big game? I'd venture to say it is more likely the latter. We all know who the fair weather fans are. They were the people who supported the Pats when they surprised everyone and defeated the St. Louis Rams in Super Bowl XXXVI. They were there when the Pats won that game, they were there when the Patriots opened last season 3-0. And of course, they're back now that the Patriots

are headed to Houston.

But, where were they when the Patriots weren't doing all that great? Where were they last year when the Pats slumped under championship pressure and failed to make the playoffs? Where were they when Tennessee Titan quarterback Steve McNair showed New England up and led his team to over 200 rushing yards?

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Hours of Operation
Mon - Fri 8 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.
Sat - Sun 4 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

Events for the Week of Promotion

Tuesday - Purchase a cup of coffee and get a tasty, freshly made donut for \$0.10.

Wednesday - Sample our eight pizza varieties for free. Of course, coffee and pastry available at regular price.

Thursday - Taste and sample our Sandella sandwich wraps, coffee, pastry, and pizza available at regular price.

Friday - Starbucks coffee promotion all menu items available.

Saturday - Free small soda with each pizza slice or Sandella wrap.

Blood Drive
Wed., Jan. 28 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. in the Student Union ballroom.
Donate a pint and get a pound! All donors will receive a coupon for a free pound of Dunkin' Donuts coffee. General guidelines for donating blood: -at least 17 years old (no upper age limit) and weigh at least 110 pounds. -most medications are acceptable -tattoos, high blood pressure and diabetes do not prevent you from donating blood. Donating one pint of blood helps save three lives. Hospitals in Rhode Island use an average of 240 pints each day for patient needs. Won't you please donate just one pint? If you don't donate blood, who will?

Hearts in Bloom

The "Hearts in Bloom", campaign will be held at RIC, to benefit the American Heart Association. The Heart Bouquet (five red tulips) is \$8; the Healthy Heart Bouquet (five red tulips and a vase) is \$11; and the Heart to Heart Bouquet (10 red tulips with a vase) is \$17. Sandy Langlois will be taking orders from Jan. 12-23. Payment is due when ordering. Checks may be made payable to "American Heart Association." Tulips will be available for pick up in the Office of Human Resources on Thursday and Friday, Feb. 12 or 13. For more questions call Sandy at ext. 9880 or slangois@ric.edu.

Weight Watchers at Work

We have had a very successful two months so far, one member has lost 23 lbs., six members have lost 10+ lbs., the total for the entire group of approximately 15 members is 125 lbs. so far. Would you like to lose some of that holiday weight? Why not give Weight Watchers a try, as you can see it does work. Our next 12 week session will begin on Monday, Jan. 26, 11:45-12:45 a.m. Please contact me ASAP at dcabral@ric.edu for more details.

Spring 2004 Diversity Symposium
Urvashi Vaid Speaks On April. 21, from 12:30-2 p.m. in Gage Hall, Urvashi Vaid, former executive

director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, author, attorney and lesbian activist, will speak at RIC. Some readings on her topic, of LGBT Politics will be available after Jan. 15 from Dialogue on Diversity Co-chairs Mary Ball Howkins, ext. 9511, Tony Teng, ext. 8640, or Ellen Bigler, ext. 8385.

Coffeehouse Acoustic Singers

The Office of Student Activities is proud to present our Spring '04 line up of acoustic performers for the Coffeehouse Acoustic Series on Wednesdays from 12:30 - 1:30 in The Café. The season will kick off with Tony Carlino on Wednesday, January 21st followed by Kevin Christian 1/28, Robert Boyd 2/04, John Brochu 2/11, Chris Rosenquest 2/18 and Carminda Rocha 2/25. Stop by the first floor of the Student Union (ground level) for a complementary cup of coffee and enjoy the showcase of talent from RIC students and friends - as well as the special promotions that The Café is offering during the it's opening days!

Knowledge of Club Policies Luncheons

The Office of Student Activities will be hosting two Luncheons / Informational Meetings for Advisors of Student Clubs and Organizations on Wednesday,

January 28th and Thursday, January 29th from 12:30pm - 2:00pm in the Donovan Dining Center, President's Dining Room. It is strongly encouraged that you make every effort to attend one of these valuable sessions to update you on important policies and procedures relating to student groups that will assist you in your advising role. Lunch will be served and all attendees will receive a complimentary Student Activities mug for your participation. Kindly RSVP with your name, organization and the date that you select, to 456-8538 to reserve your seat. If you have any questions, please contact Kristen Salemi at 401-456-8538.

"It's a Student Affair!"

The Office of Student Affairs invites the entire campus community to attend "It's a Student Affair: Festival of Student Affairs Departmental Offerings" on Wednesday, February 4, 2004 from 12noon - 2:00pm in the Student Union Ballroom. This event has been planned to give students, faculty and staff an opportunity to familiarize themselves with the schedules, programs, etc. of these departments and to meet some of the people who work there. There will be exciting displays and give-a-ways... please plan to stop by.

First Organization Showcase

Student Community Government in conjunction with the Campus Center are proud to present the 1st Annual Student Organization Showcase on Wednesday, February 11, 2004 from 12:30pm - 2:00pm in the Student Union Ballroom. More than 40 active student organizations have been invited to participate by displaying their groups' efforts - to showcase their successful past programs, advertise upcoming events, recruit new students, meet and network with other active groups and exhibit their pride, spirit and creativity. Prizes will be given to tables for best decoration and spirit. The campus community is invited to attend this exciting event - and any active student group who would like to reserve a table can call Student Community Government x8088 or Campus Center x8034 for more information.

The Café

Come in and take part in our promotions in the week of January 20-25, and be there for our grand opening on Monday, Jan. 26. (located in the basement of the Student Union building)

Hi Honey,

Keep up the good work. Go the extra mile . . . it's never crowded.

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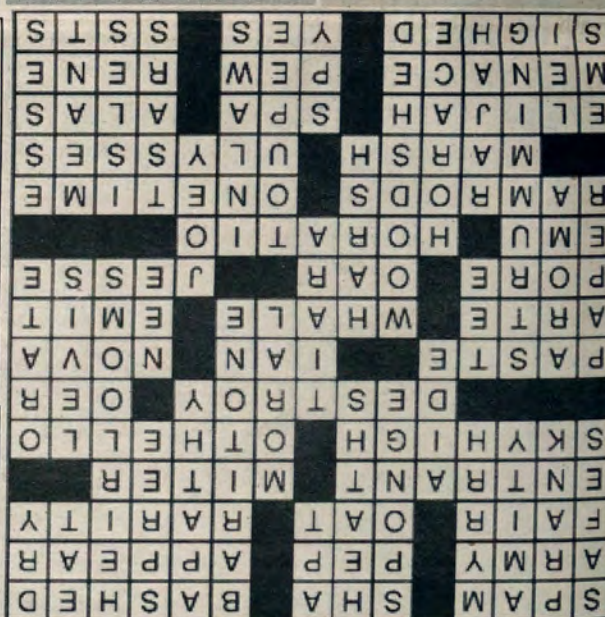
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Internet gives rise to a bold new era in college-student cheating

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MILWAUKEE, Wis.— Sometimes, pure dumb luck saved him.

Take his freshman year at Marquette University, when he and a buddy turned in the same paper, which neither had written, to separate sections of an introductory English course taught by different teachers.

His friend got caught for cheating and earned an F.

He got an A, along with the teacher's written comment, "Great paper!"

Now, he is a senior in the business school, and cheating remains a habit, though primarily in courses he doesn't care much about electives or general classes such as theology and ethics. Ripping off papers from Web sites is a favorite method.

"I don't feel guilty," said the student, who asked not to be identified. "I'm just trying to get by."

Thanks largely to the Internet, cheating has become much easier and easier to catch. New technology has spawned a multimillion-dollar industry of swindlers and those who police them, and forced professors to turn to creative methods of deterring and finding charlatans.

It's vexing for faculty because students often don't realize what they're doing is wrong, or simply don't care.

Donald McCabe, founding president of the Center for Academic Integrity at Duke University and a leading expert on academic dishonesty, has surveyed more than 50,000 students on cheating since 1990. He says it is a growing problem.

In 1999, he surveyed 2,100 students on 21 campuses, and found that 75 percent said they had cheated at some level in college during the past year. In 1999, 10 percent of students McCabe surveyed said they'd plagiarized off the Internet; in a 2001 survey, 41 percent said so.

Part of the growth in cheating may have nothing to do with increased numbers of cheaters, he said, but may be because "students today are less reluctant to admit they've cheated."

The ease of copying off the Internet probably contributes to the lax attitude.

Thanks to technology, cheating and counter efforts largely revolving around plagiarism are a booming sector. Search engines such as Google can find over a million resources for students trying to buy term papers, some of which sell for more than \$10 a page. The sites, such as FastPapers.com or EssayTown.com, offer thousands of papers on subject areas from oceanography to ethics.

On the other end are companies such as iParadigms, which offers a special Internet-based program, called Turnitin to thousands of subscribing academic institutions. The program scans student papers and attempts to match them up to billions of documents it has stored including obscure journal articles and whatever is available online.

The company got started in the late 1990s and earns in the double-digit millions. Its client base representing more than 50 countries is expanding rapidly.

John Barrie, founder of iParadigms, said the company's goal is more to prevent cheating than to catch it.

"One of the more counterintuitive observations I've had is that it's not primarily the lower-

achieving students that are doing this," he said. "It's the high-achieving students that have the most to gain. It's a pretty bleak picture regarding our future leaders."

Sean Currie, a junior at Marquette, has seen his share of cheating. The main reason for it, he said, is pressure to do well.

"If you don't get a 4.0 or a 3.5, you're going to die old and lonely in a gutter," Currie said. The 20-year-old added that the smartest cheaters don't copy directly off the Web, but steal ideas.

The Marquette business student who asked not to be named said that while time constraints played a role in his cheating efforts, a lack of desire to do the work did, too. "Sometimes, you're lazy and it's late and you have to hand it in the next day, so you cut and paste."

The deception upsets many. "I do all of my work myself," said Jacqueline Lorenz, 23, a first-year law student at Marquette. "I'm under just as much pressure as they are, and I worked my way through college."

Universities have a variety of approaches to dealing with academic misconduct. Some require all cases to be reported to special committees, while others primarily let faculty deal with the matter. Some have strict honor codes, while others rely on student conduct guidelines. The severity of the punishments can vary dramatically, too, from expulsion to a lower grade.

At Marquette, there's no central system of tracking offenses, though administrators say they haven't seen a change in frequency, even though they're unsure what the frequency is.

At the University of Wisconsin-Madison, a school of 41,552 students, only about 100 to 150 cases of academic misconduct are formally reported to the Student Advocacy & Judicial Affairs unit each year, while countless others are handled at the faculty or departmental level. Professors who choose to pursue cases beyond the classroom may find it difficult.

For many professors, deterring cheating is more attractive than trying to catch it.

While the threat of using services such as Turnitin- not to mention basic search engines helps, many professors use more creative methods, some dating back to the pre-Web era.

They use multiple versions of exams. They issue calculators during tests to prevent students from bringing in preprogrammed ones.

Some ban food and drink during tests (imagine: answers written on a coffee cup and hidden by a slipcover). Others let all the students use a notecard or have access to old exams.

Some insist students sign honor codes ahead of exams and on papers. Cathy Middlecamp, a distinguished faculty associate at UW-Madison, teaches a writing-intensive chemistry course, and has her students turn in papers in stages.

Above all, teachers watch for tell-tale signs, such as the student who has perfect prose after a few paragraphs of run-on sentences.

"You would be surprised how stupid some of the cheating is," said Virginia Sapiro, an associate vice chancellor at UW-Madison. "I once had a student who plagiarized out of the textbook I wrote."

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carcinogen. It is a stimulant to the central nervous system. College students drink caffeine to stay awake, to give them energy or plainly because they like the taste. *A person is considered to be intoxicated with caffeine, when he/she has taken in over 250 mg of caffeine (equivalent to 2 ? cups daily). Since it is a drug, people who stop drinking it will feel withdrawal side effects such as headaches, anxiety, nausea and/or tremors.

The following students sounded off about not snoring off as often as they should. "It is easier for people who commute to get sleep because they can go home whenever they want," said Ryan Flynn, who is at sophomore at Rhode Island College. Flynn, who gets an average of about six hours of sleep per night, commutes to school each day. "I wake up and look at the clock and think 'no way'."

"I definitely don't get a lot of sleep," indicated RIC senior and Resident Assistant, Michele Fannelli "When I go to bed after midnight, I feel like a zombie," she said. Fannelli often has to stay up after hours to make sure that quite hours are observed in her hall. She adds that she normally get between four and six hours of sleep a night.

Amanda Ricard, a commuter freshman, gets about six hours of sleep. "I sometimes pull all-nighters, but I don't like doing that because then I fall asleep at school and work," she said. Ricard works an average of 25 hours a week. "I wish I could get more sleep, but I am usually at my boyfriend's or I am out." Ricard also noticed, having started college this semester that she used to get more sleep.

"I feel that the problem isn't sleep, but a scheduling problem," stated senior, Jonathan Vincent. "Classes should not start at 8 a.m., but sometime after 9." Vincent works an average of 18 hours a week, in addition to going to classes.

A student, who wished to remain anonymous, regarded sleepy time as a waste of time. "I stay out late very night," this person began. "I go to class, and then I need my time to wind down. I get sleepy, but that is what caffeine is for. After all, this is supposed to be the best four years of your life!"

Here are some tips to get more winks so you can think more clearly and cut down on stress related to lack of sleep:

10 TIPS For a Good Night's Sleep

(as stated by the Craftmatic Adjustable Beds Website)

Keep Regular Hours. Keep your biological clock in sync by going to bed at the same time each night and waking up at the same time each morning — even on weekends.

Develop A Sleep Ritual. Doing the same things each night just before bed cues your body to settle down for the night.

Sleep On A Comfortable, Supportive Mattress And Foundation. It's difficult to get deep, restful sleep on a sleep set that's too small, too soft, too hard or too old.

Exercise Regularly. Regular exercise can help to relieve the day's tension — but not too close to bedtime or you may have a hard time falling asleep.

Cut Down On Stimulants. Consuming stimulants, such as caffeine, in the evening interferes with falling asleep and prevents deep sleep.

Don't Smoke. Smokers take longer to fall asleep, awaken more often and experience disrupted, fragmented sleep.

Drink Only In Moderation. Drinking alcohol shortly before bedtime interrupts and fragments sleep.

Unwind Early In The Evening. Try to deal with worries and distractions several hours before going to bed.

Create A Restful Sleep Environment. Sleep in a cool, quiet, dark room on a comfortable, supportive mattress and foundation.

Make Sleep A Priority. Say "yes" to sleep even when you're tempted to stay up late. You'll thank yourself in the morning.

* Information from the Shuteye.com website, on "Sleep."

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NEWS

More College Students Giving Textbooks A Pass

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Café le RIC

By: Ariana Testa
Anchor Editor

The students of the Rhode Island College campus finally have a retreat that they can go to that can be compared to the likes of Au Bon Pain and Starbucks. It has been two years since the students have had a place other than the Donovan Dining Center to be able to hang out between classes. It has a casual atmosphere that looks and smells like a coffeehouse.

The Café is located on the ground floor of the Student Union. This hangout boasts many amenities, one of which includes an internet nook that allows students to sit down and hook up to the internet for work or leisure. This internet nook also has wireless internet for the more technologically savvy.

The menu varies from gourmet pastries and coffee to

sandwich wraps, salads and pizza, which is cooked right in front of your eyes in the new pizza ovens purchased for The Café. The pastry—which includes cookies, donuts and danish—are baked every morning on the premises. The Starbucks coffee is also brewed fresh and is a great accompaniment to the pastry during the morning rush to class. If coffee does not whet your palette than there are a variety of frozen drinks and juices available. You can also grab a quick lunch while on your way to class by choosing one of their many sandwich wraps or a slice of pizza.

The Café is what Rhode Island College has been waiting for. It is a place that students can meet to study or just socialize. There will be Café specials everyday, so check it out and you may just find yourself a new hangout.

HALL from page front

Black was not the only one whose items were soaked in this disaster. A number of other students had either severe or minor water damage to their personal items.

It is important to note, however, that when signing up for housing on campus you are required to sign a housing contract that reads like this "The college is not responsible for injuries or loss of student property by fire, theft or water damage. Residents are urged to check their family or personal insurance policies regarding coverage."

"Students, when

singing up for housing are offered inexpensive personal coverage they can purchase through an outside organization," stated the Director of Residential Life and Housing John Denio. "RIC isn't the only place where water damage occurred, just look at the news and you will see that Our Lady of Fatima Hospital and many other private homes were affected by the weather," concluded Denio.

Anyone out there who has concerns about damage to their personal belonging is urged to contact Mr. Denio at extension 8240.

Ron Mozelewski teaches introductory economics pretty much by the textbook, one chapter after another. In his informal lectures, he refers often to specific pages where students can find information they'll need for tests.

Yet more than a week into the new semester, only about half of his students have brought the assigned book to his class at St. Louis Community College at Florissant Valley. Some say they simply left it at home. Others plead good intentions, saying they plan to buy it.

Mozelewski's experience tells him, though, that five to 10 students in this class of 25 or so will never get around to getting the book. He says that's the way it's been for several years in his classes and those of some of his colleagues. And they're worried about it.

So is the National Association of College Stores, which estimates that about 20 percent of undergraduates nationwide aren't buying, renting or otherwise acquiring the books their professors expect them to have. In surveys, only about 42 percent of students have told the association they think textbooks are necessary.

The association is running a test campaign on 18 campuses to bring the situation to the attention of faculty members.

"Faculty believes that having textbooks correlates with student success," said Laura Nakoneczny, spokeswoman for the group, said they don't realize that more students "are just saying no to purchasing required books."

No question that many students are put off by cost. The price has been rising rapidly as publishers have updated content, printed books on better paper, added color and graphics and, in some cases, packaged them with compact discs.

Gary Shapiro, a senior vice president of Follett Corp., which operates 680 stores on 550 col-

lege campuses around the country, puts the average price of a college textbook today at \$72.83.

And that's only the average. Joya Deutsch says she paid \$145 for an abnormal psychology book at Washington University this semester.

The text for Mozelewski's class less than an inch thick and with a paper cover goes for \$83. "If I don't have to buy the book, I'm not going to spend \$80," said Joe Finazzo, a student in the class. It's a course-by-course decision with him, depending on the professor and the subject. He says he would never, for instance, try to go text-free in a mathematics class.

Steven Saville of Webster Groves, Mo., is a student at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He says some students there take the wait-and-see approach to textbook buying. "They don't get the textbooks at all, or they wait until they need them," he said.

And sometimes they don't. Saville recalls a physics course, for instance, in which all of the important material could be gleaned from lectures and class discussion. In a computer programming course, "it ended up being that the book that was recommended was just there for reference," he said. "I bought it but I took it back."

Nobody is predicting that textbooks will go the way of slates and quill pens, but this is the digital age. Today's college students learn not just from the printed word but from television and the Internet. Savvy professors have learned to supplement books with new media.

"I have a sense that we are losing the attention of these younger people by being too book-oriented," said Van Reidhead, associate professor of anthropology at the University of Missouri at St. Louis. "I think we have to learn how to re-engage this shorter-attention-span group of people."

Reidhead, like many professors now, requires less book and more online learning than he used to. He says he likes the Web

for the flexibility it gives him to create links to topics of special interest that come up in class.

Even so, Reidhead emphasizes to his students the very first day of class that he expects them to buy the text. Mozelewski expects the same, but he also accompanies his lectures with PowerPoint presentations summarizing the text's main points.

Students even arrive at medical school, having gotten through college mainly by going to class, taking notes and using Web sites, says Dr. Randy Sprague, professor in the departments of pharmacology and physiological science at St. Louis University's School of Medicine. He describes their attitude as: "What do you need a textbook for? Half the textbook is on the Web anyway."

Not all of the book nonbuyers are doing without altogether. Florissant Valley student Justin Apenbrinck went in with a friend on an accounting book. "The book was, like, about \$90, so we just decided to split the cost," he said. The arrangement works, he says, because the two of them are taking the class on alternate days.

Deutsch, who returned that \$145 psychology book for a full refund, says she'll get through by borrowing a copy from a roommate who bought the book last year. She's guessing that only about half the students in her large lecture class will shell out for their own book.

Kate Miller, another Washington University student, uses the library to the extent possible, reading texts that professors have put on reserve there or checking them out. She calculates that by doing so, she spent only about \$100 buying books this semester.

Shapiro, of Follett, said students who don't buy books also may be getting the material in them illegally, either by making copies of important pages and chapters or by stealing. "We have shrinkage in our stores, so some of them are getting (books) in ways that aren't ethical," said Shapiro.

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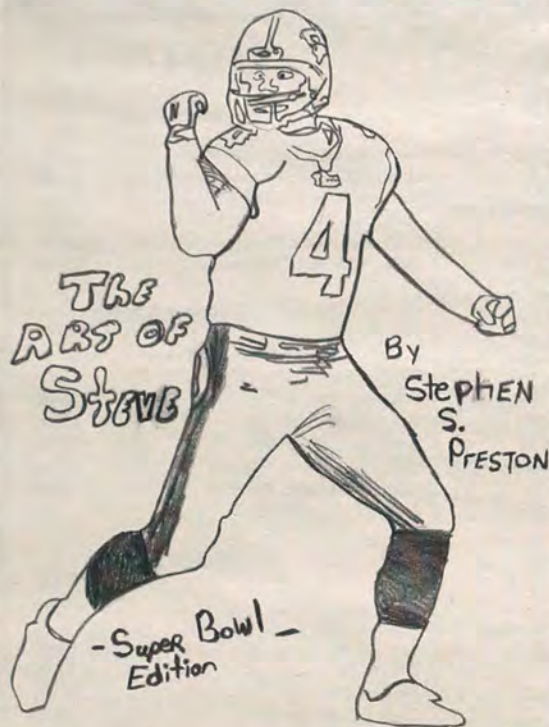
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Welcome to the Super Bowl expanded edition of "The Art of Steve" your weekly source for all that is right with sports. Unfortunately for small time fans, this edition may not be as fun loving as previous articles. This is a serious look at the match up of Super Bowl XXXVIII from a long time Patriot's fans perspective, and there won't be as many stupid jokes as I usually have. Have no fear, however, next week, the insanity returns. I promise...now, onto the show. This Sunday marks the biggest day of the year in sports. It's the big game, the one for all the marbles. It's where legends are made (Elway), superstars emerge (Montana), and the big boys come to play (Rice). It's what you have invested six months of your life following, through training camp to the playoffs and everything in between.

As a fan, watching your team get to this point is worth every sick call to work, every moment you've invested seemingly like a great trade off to the possibility of a championship trophy in the arms of your favorite player. It's the Super Bowl, and it is the holiest of days for sports fans around the country. The Super Bowl is the game that every team plays hard all year to try to get in. Sometimes, the match up is something that surprises no one (such as last year's title game featuring the Raiders and the Buccaneers). Sometimes, two teams come out and surprise everyone to secure their trip into the national spotlight (Think St. Louis vs. Tennessee in 1999). This year, the match up is something that few people would have thought possible in the summer months before the season kicked off.

The New England Patriots, arguably the best team in football, come into Houston as the AFC Champions on the heels of an impressive fourteen game winning streak. Their place in the title game is not as much of a surprise as is the emergence of who they will be facing. After all, this is the same Patriots team that took it to the Rams two years ago in New Orleans, and many expected the Patriots to be competitive. While how dominating they have been since they started their magical run may be a shock, it is no surprise that they are going for their second trophy in three seasons. The Carolina Panthers, on the other hand, are a team that has literally come out of nowhere.

The Panthers are the exact same type of team that the Patriots were two years ago. Led by a no-name second string quarterback (Jake

Delhomme), a second year coach known more for his defensive strategies than his offensive play calling (John Fox), and a staggeringly good defense, this team has all the ingredients of a potentially fatal flaw to the Pats hopes of another ring. Their running game is led by Stephen Davis, who remains one of the most reliable backs in the league. Muhsin Muhammad, the star Panthers wide out, is also one of the best receivers in the NFC. Unfortunately for the Panthers, their luck ends there. They are an inexperienced bunch without a lot of players on the team that have played in the big game before. The Patriots, on the other hand,

have a solid core of players still on their team from the playoff run two years ago.

So, it's time to break down the match ups. On offense, the Patriots have the better quarterback, and a much better receiving core. The Panthers, on the other hand, have the better running back and the best individual receiver on the field. No real edge either way. Defensively, both squads are very strong. Carolina has one of the best front four in all of football. Peppers, Rucker, Jenkins, and Buckner are a solid group of players who don't often let a quarterback get in rhythm. They should be able to stop the Patriots running backs, and put the pressure on Tom Brady to win the game. Carolina's defensive backs are also very skilled, however, they do not have the explosive hitting power or speed that the Patriots possess with Ty Law and Tyrone Pool leading the charge.

If you've been adding things up, you can see that the Steve-ster is a little torn about this week's big game. It doesn't look as if there is a clear edge on either side line, and either team could come away with the victory. They are both lead by great individuals on both sides of the ball, and the game is likely to come down to the wire. With that in mind, I have to believe that the New England Patriots are going to be coming away with a hard fought victory when the curtains are drawn. While on paper the matchups are relatively even, the Patriots have the best coach in all of football, one who is able to make a game plan so well that no one would be able to get around it. Given two weeks, and the fact that it is the biggest game of the year, and you can assume Bill Belichick is going to go all out in terms of strategy and game plan. With only one week to prepare for Super Bowl XXXVI, Belichick and company came up with several ideas that shut down the Rams (who were at the time the most explosive team in football), and kept the Patriots in it although they were very much outmatched in that game. This time around, the head cheese gets an extra week to prepare against a team with a far less dangerous offense. Look for the Patriots to knock Carolina's offense around for the majority of the game, and do just enough on offense to secure the win. So, there you have it folks, The Art of Steve predicts a Super Bowl victory for the New England Patriots 21-17 in a game that will be one of the greatest ever played.

-UPCOMING GAMES-

-Men's Basketball-

Jan 27th-Western Connecticut 7:30 PM
Jan 31st-at Eastern Connecticut 3:00 PM
Feb 3rd-Salve Regina University 6:00 PM

-Men's Indoor Track-

Jan 31st-at Southern Maine Invitational 1:00 PM
Feb 14th-at Alliance Championships 1:00 PM
Feb 21st-New England Div III Championships 10:00 AM

-Women's Basketball-

Jan 27th-Western Connecticut 5:30 PM
Jan 29th-Newbury College 6:00 PM
Jan 31st-at Eastern Connecticut 1:00 PM

-Women's Indoor Track-

Jan 31st-at Southern Maine Invitational 1:00 PM
Feb 14th-at Alliance Championships 1:00 PM
Feb 21st-New England Div III Championships 10:00 AM

-Gymnastics-

Jan 31st-at SUNY-Cortland 1:00 PM
Feb 6th-at University of Bridgeport 7:00 PM
Feb 8th-Wilson College 1:00 PM

-Wrestling-

Jan 28th-Western New England College 7:00 PM
Feb 4th-at Massachusetts Inst. of Tech. 7:00 PM
Feb 8th-at University of Southern Maine and Roger Williams University 1:00 PM

-NEWS AND NOTES-

RIC Men's Basketball defeated Plymouth State University, the 29th-ranked team in the country (Div. III) this past Thursday. The anchor men, who trailed by as many as 11 points in the first half, won the game 78-72. Junior forward Jason Harris had 15 points and 12 rebounds, senior guard Kamran Alemdar added a game-high 17 points, and freshman guard Kamari Williams (Springfield, MA) chipped in with 12 points, four boards, five assists and a steal. RIC snaps a three-game losing skid to improve to 6-10 overall and 3-3 in the Little East.

The World According To....



Make Up Your Mind!

By: James Bessette
Anchor Staff

It is only a couple of weeks from the start of Spring Training, with pitchers and catchers reporting for duty in either Florida or Arizona, and already I'm freaking out. Not in a good way, however. Yes, Major League Baseball Spring Training signifies another exciting season is around the corner, which also brings the warmer weather, which then begins the thawing-out process in the New England region, and everyone gets into a better mood.

But this time, here in "The Nation," even though the Patriots are in Houston for Super Bowl XXXVIII, there exists the one story that refuses to die after it came to life in November. It's the real life form of a "Terminator" movie where the T-1000 gets shot numerous times, but it just reforms back to shape and keeps on coming after everyone. That T-1000, my friends, is the story of "Alex Rodriguez to the Red Sox in exchange for Manny Ramirez." Yep, it's baaaack!!

Just when you thought it was safe to play outside, and the deal was dead, it has suddenly come back to life (for the FOURTH time, mind you). According to ESPN.com, The Red Sox and Rangers are planning to get together again to discuss a potential deal that will send the reigning AL MVP to the Red Sox in exchange for Manny Ramirez. In, arguably, one of the biggest trades in the history of baseball, both the Red Sox and Rangers are denying the rumor. Red Sox GM Theo Epstein said that rumor was "baseless," and that the trade talks are officially "dead." Note to the Red Sox: That's what was said three "deads" ago, and yet somehow a pulse still exists.

I speak for all of Red Sox Nation by saying this: ENOUGH ALREADY!!!! I am sick and tired of the tug of war that has been going on with this situation. Either make the trade or don't. At this point, if I'm Theo, I wouldn't even bother. The teams involved are starting to get sick of it all and even The White Sox won't stick around for this circus.

Chicago would be getting the best of the deal, or at least have the best fit. SS Nomar Garciaparra would've gone to the White Sox for OF Magglio Ordonez, a 30+ Home Run hitter, who would be the replacement for Manny, calming the worriers down about the "power outage" the Red Sox would have had with only just A-Rod.

Now, the White Sox are through playing the waiting game and have moved on to better things. The Red Sox and Rangers should follow suit. There are five people responsible for not making this trade possible. And the Player's Union, while a major part, doesn't really make the list.

Agent Scott Boras: He's the agent that represents Alex Rodriguez, as well as numerous other Major League players. He was the one who pushed for the \$252 Million deal that A-Rod now has in Texas, which sounded great at the time but is really a big chip on Alex's future.

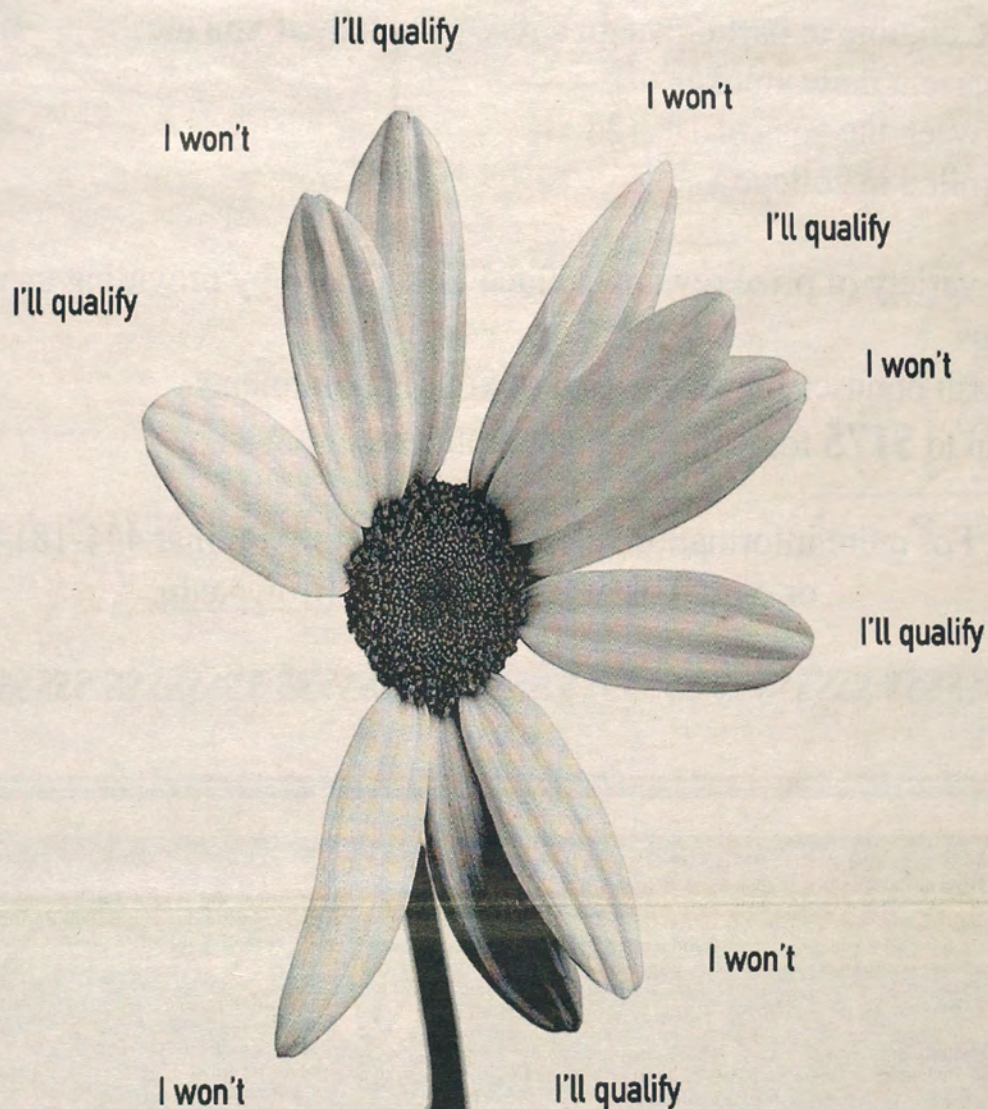
Boras is widely hated throughout baseball for his "all or nothing" negotiation methods. Why do you think two future Hall of Famers, C Ivan Rodriguez and P Greg Maddux, both represented by Boras, do not have jobs as of yet for the coming season? By representing A-Rod, Boras has proved resistant to anything that would hurt the commission he puts in his pocket every year, and is a major roadblock to the shortstop playing for a team that would actually win.

Alex Rodriguez: The superstar shortstop that left a playoff team in Seattle to go to a last place team in Texas for a quarter billion dollars. Though he claims that he went to Texas for "a chance to

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It's week two of the new semester, and nothing has blown up yet. I guess that means another NEW Anchor for YOU.

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Giving Props to the Local Giant Killers

By: Paul J. Spetrini
Anchor Editor

Before I officially begin this column, let me make it perfectly clear: I am aware of where I am attending school. I know that this is RIC and that we should be focusing on things that actually impact us. With that out of the way, I would also like to say that you've got to love the guys over on the other side of Smith Street. The Providence College Friars Men's Basketball team, no doubt through the heavy recruiting and hard work of their head coach Tim Welsh, has been in the national spotlight all year and is slowly making a name for themselves as they take down nationally ranked opponents one at a time.

This past Saturday, PC traveled to Connecticut and took out the formerly top ranked huskies 66-56 in a surprising upset on UConn's home court. The win was the fifth in a row for Providence, who has shown poise in nationally tracked games all season. At 13-3 overall, and 4-1 in the Big East this season, PC is impressing analysts all over the country with their unselfish play and sense of teamwork. It seems as if a different player is stepping up in the key moments of big games, and this Saturday was no exception. Junior Ryan Gomes, one of the Friars' big guns coming into the season, had 26 points and 12 rebounds on one of the best defenses in the country. Last year, Gomes averaged 18.4 points per game, and earned Second Team All-Big East honors for his hard work in starting every game for the Friars. It was obvious that Gomes would be a major player on PC's squad right from the get-go and he has not disappointed. This season, Gomes has almost averaged 20 points per game this season, and is leading the team in most major statistical categories. While not the only reason that the Friars are having such a great season, it remains unquestioned that he is doing his part in trying to keep the team competitive come March.

PC is 2-1 this year when playing nationally ranked teams, quite impressive considering that there are teams in the top 25 who haven't played nearly as difficult a schedule. North Carolina, for example is a mere 2-2 against the elite teams in Men's Basketball, but nonetheless maintains the seventh spot in the country. Providence shut down Connecticut, limiting Emeka Okafor, one of the best players in the country, to a staggering 19 points. UConn was also held to a poor shooting percentage (40.7) in a game that they obviously weren't ready for.

It wasn't the first time that the Friars came up big in an important game. Opening the season on a three game winning streak, it was clear that this season would be a special one for PC basketball. While the games were all close (with the exception of an 84-60 blowout of South Florida), their opponents were all highly thought of as easier teams, and PC didn't get much respect for the games because they were games that they were suppose to win. Then came December 6th. The day that changed the way Providence College approached the 2003-2004 season. Playing at URI, in a game that sold out from the moment tickets went on sale; PC

failed to show up and got spanked around by the Rhody Rams 89-79.

From then on in, questions hung over the nets of the Dunkin Donuts Center. If they couldn't defeat URI, how would they fare when the better teams came around? How could they expect to legitimately play for a Big East Title when they couldn't even hold on the surprisingly effective Rams? Or, was it all a fluke, a snap back to reality for a team thinking about possibly cutting down some nets at the end of the year?

In the next five games, PC tried to silence critics with impressive victories over Illinois, Siena, and Virginia. The Friars went on a five game tear, outscor-



Providence College's Ryan Gomes & Marcus Douthett

ing their opponents by an average of ten points per game. The only game in that stretch that was remotely close was a nail biting last second victory over Richmond. With the game tied 56-56 with 9.4 seconds remaining, Sheiku Kappa was fouled and sunk in one of two free throws to give PC the victory by that exact margin. It was the first time the Friars got to prove they could play in clutch situations, such as having the game on the line on the last possession.

Sadly for Friar fans, the dream of national respect would have to wait. The team dropped their next two

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games by a combined three points, and had to hand their heads as the nagging questions resurfaced about their ability to play under pressure. But, the losses weren't really all their fault. They played two tough teams very hard and the outcome didn't go the way they would have liked. In those two games, against nationally ranked Texas and a determined Rutgers squad, PC saw their late leads vanish and the game turn on the final play of regulation. The Rutgers game was decided on a crucial three point shot with time expiring by Herve Lamizana, a senior forward. While the game was disappointing, it didn't come close to the heartbreak felt by their loss against Texas. Trailing by as much as 21 points in the first half, PC fought all the way back to watch their game end on a controversial field goal as time expired that referees had to review several times to make sure it went in. When the game was over, and the referees had made their call, it was clear that the Friars had fought so hard only to have victory snatched away from them.

That game could have been the final nail in PC's coffin if they had let it stay in their minds that long. But, rather than dwell on it, the Friars went out and played basketball, the way the best teams usually do. They haven't looked back since, and are slowly starting to get rolling again, right at the best time for the program. Taking a look at their schedule might cause the average college basketball fan to let out a small gulp. Playing teams the likes of Georgetown, Seton Hall, Syracuse, St John's and Pittsburgh may be a difficult task but it is going to show whether Tim Welsh's squad can truly hang with the elite in the country. Providence has been a team that has been on the skirts of national attention all year, and if they play well in those games, it is likely to continue. Several of their games this season have been broadcast either directly on ESPN or talked about on national sports shows because of their ability to play with the best teams in the country, and make the contest worth watching. The team is slowly proving themselves to be a far tougher squad than what they were thought to be, and they are opening up many eyes along the way. When it comes time for the NCAA to fill out their championship brackets, there is little doubt that the Friars may find themselves on that list. The only thing left to think about is whether or not their opponents will be ready when the small town-Friars come to play, because they aren't going to go away easily. So, show some love to PC's Men's Basketball, they might just be the surprise team that gets you over the hump when it is time to do your March Madness brackets, and if nothing else, you can always count on the fact that PC will have you hanging at the end of your seat until the whistle sounds, and you can't ask for more than that from a college basketball team.

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win" and "not for the money", his contract size alone has made that impossible. With Rodriguez on the payroll for a whopping \$25 million a year, it is nearly impossible for the management of the Rangers to afford any other key free agents. What a shame. Sure looks like he made the wrong decision. But, I'm sure it wasn't more the money. Just like I'm sure that the Los Angeles Clippers are the front-runners for the NBA Championship....

Rangers GM Tom Hicks: The GM that offered Alex Rodriguez the contract that he signed to, putting his team out of contention for the playoffs, because of their lack of being able to spend money on good pitching. It's kind of tough to get good players and make a playoff push when you have a \$90 Million yearly payroll and \$25 Million of it is tied up in one player.

Former Red Sox GM Dan Duquette: Now while the Red Sox are at fault here also, it's not so much on the current ownership. Duquette, long known for bonehead moves, was the one who offered the large contract to Ramirez, and didn't go deep into why Cleveland wouldn't resign the star player. He apparently didn't know about the attitude problems and clubhouse antics

that the Sox now, regretfully, have to deal with. And now he's out of a job as GM, and was performing in the Broadway play "Damn Yankees." Yikes!

Manny Ramirez: The power hitting outfielder who owns a \$20 Million per season salary and chronically acts like a two-year old when it comes to dealing with teammates and personnel. From the infamous "Left turn at St. Pete," to the "I'm too sick to DH" act, he has been a truly unique character since coming to this team. Saying you're too sick to hit a ball in a pivotal game when your getting paid that much is like someone saying that they have such a severe headache and can't put their pants on because of it. Suck it up and play.

For all of the drama that has happened in the Red Sox' off season, there's no telling how crazy things will get when it's time to "Cowboy Up" in 2004. Here's hoping that nothing too crazy happens from now until opening day and that the Sox can concentrate on another playoff push. Otherwise, there's a better chance of seeing Dan Duquette getting nominated for a Tony Award than the Sox finally upending the Yankees for American League Supremacy.

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yards and a 24-7 blowout victory on Monday night football? Where were they when national opinion criticized Brady's bunch and considered them a super bowl fluke? Overall, where were they when the Patriots needed them most?

Well, I'll tell you where they were...anywhere but on this bandwagon. When the Patriots had their backs to the walls and were getting crushed, only the true fans stuck around to witness the carnage. These other people, who have appeared back at this school wearing freshly bought Patriots merchandise, were no where to be found when the Patriots sucked. They were gone when the Patriots were no longer successful. You've seen it before. Heck, you've seen it this year. When the Boston Red Sox made the playoffs this year and seemed poised for a trip for the World Series, long time sox fans came out of the woodwork to support their team. But, when all was said and done and the Sox choked on it again, they went away again, waiting for the right time to show their support, but not willing to do so when the team wasn't wearing championship gold. It's bandwagon fans like this that piss off the real fans.

When a team is in a slump, you can tell the true fans from

the bandwagon jumpers. The true fans are the ones that continue to root for Bill Belichick and company in the bleakest of times. They are the people who will still tune in and believe their team can overcome anything, be it an injury to the defensive line or a 21-10 halftime deficit in the final game of the 2002-2003 season. The true fans are the type of people who wear their hearts on their sleeve in all seasons, and in all types of conditions. It doesn't matter if the team has just had one of the most disappointing years in franchise history, a true fan doesn't leave their team hanging out in the cold. True fans always root on, believing things can turn around. When their team misses the playoffs, they don't sulk. Instead, they focus on the upcoming draft, and hope that their team can improve some of the holes they have on their roster and come together next season to play harder. A true fan doesn't put away their Patriots products because they missed out on the playoffs, a true fan stays loyal no matter what happens in the course of a sixteen game schedule.

As the New England Patriots take the field in Super Bowl XXXVIII, a lot could possibly happen. Many people believe that the Patriots should be able to easily handle themselves against

the Carolina Panthers, a team that some feel doesn't belong in the national spotlight. But, if being a Patriot fan has taught us anything, it's that we should always prepare for a close game when Tom Brady and company are involved. Anything can happen in the big game. Big players step up and make big plays when the title is on the line, and this game will be no exception.

So, as you sit back and relax in your living room with the Super Bowl on this Sunday, it might be worth it to take a look around. Some of you that are rooting for the Patriots have done so all season long, and for that you are welcome. It's for the true fans that this game is being played. But, yet, some of you are just along for the ride, trying to seem cool now that The Patriots are back to the top of the mountain. Bandwagon jumpers are not welcome on this train, when the game is over, and the Patriots are potentially holding the Vince Lombardi trophy once again, only true fans should be allowed to celebrate. They know where their allegiance has been all season, and their sticking with the Patriots has paid off in the ultimate way....a Super Bowl Championship.

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Letter to the President

Dear President Nazarian,

Our daughter Janna K. Prachniak just completed her first semester at Rhode Island College. She blossomed as a student (3.508 GPA), had a wonderful time as a member of the women's basketball team, made new friends, lived comfortably and safely at the Mary Weber dormitory. Your staff and faculty provided her with the type of excellent service, education, direction and encouragement that parents hope for. Despite all this and despite our parental pleas, Janna "our young adult" has made the decision to transfer to another institution. In high school she was a three-sport athlete, with Field Hockey being her favorite. She longs to play field hockey again and will be following her "heart's desire" to a school which offers it. There is a roll call of people who left lasting positive impressions with our family. Coach Chuck Sabol, Princess Bomba (admissions), Don Tencher, Mrs. Enos (financial aid), Coach Manning, Boots (the athlete's academic tutor) and the OASIS staff. We apologize if we missed anyone. But rest assured that if they dealt with Janna they had a positive affect. We thank you and RIC for everything.

If you ever need a testimonial as to the quality of Rhode Island College please call upon us.

Sincerely,
Paul and Gail Prachniak



Letter To The Editor

By: Joseph Martin

To whom it may concern:

Our government, the United States, is committing terrible crimes against humanity under the Bush administration in the name of Christianity in the state of New Mexico and throughout our country and the world. Bush and his ideology is destroying peoples' lives at an alarming rate. I've been beaten and tortured by the state of New Mexico and the United States Government for many years and now our new governor, Bill Richardson, appears to have no regards for civil and human rights just as Governor Gary Johnson did by allowing these terrible crimes to be committed in our state. I've even herniated two disks in my back and cracked a vertebrae, again as in efforts to enforce a contorted machination as a result of the Bush Family Values Bill. It's unbelievable the terrible crimes this mad man and the state of New Mexico are getting away with by torturing people to elicit retaliation to be able to relegate them to prison and/or jail for even more severe torture and degradation as the victims try to abate the suffering they try to ameliorate diurnally. Many people in the state of New Mexico, and our country have been murdered as an end result of the mad man's twisted ideology. This is a gross violation of the Declaration of Human Right and the US Constitution.

Also, we are now certain that the murders that took place in New York and at the Pentagon was a deliberate setup by the Bush administration and implemented by the government of Saudi Arabia to frame the two governments of Afghanistan and Iraq to be able to replace their government leaders to that of the Bush administration's choosing to usurp their oil. Think about it? This is why:

1. George W. Bush said he knew the same day who committed the World Trade Center attacks and then rushed off to destroy the country of Afghanistan with no evidence almost the next day. The United Nations requested evidence before they would be involved, and then he said he got it which is an indication he really didn't have any evidence in the first place. Remember? Then a week later he comes up with the possible bank transactions from Osama bin Laden to the terrorist.
2. George Bush's signature was on some of the immigration documents necessary for some of the terrorists to come here to our country to implement this contorted cabal without any warranted background checks or hindrance.
3. They were trained to fly our planes in the same state that his brother is still

governor, again without any warranted hindrance or background checks.

4. Fifteen out of the nineteen terrorists weren't even from Afghanistan they were in fact from Saudi Arabia, only two were from Afghanistan, and or government won't allow the investigation to go in any direction that could link the fifteen terrorists from Saudi Arabia to the murders of our people, why?

5. Our illegitimate president's father was the head of the CIA and a pilot during World War II who had close ties with the country of Saudi Arabia and has a lubricious and corrupt background involved in crime and corruption such as the Iran Contra Scandal and the sale of cocaine.

6. Don't forget his brother Neil's involvement in the speculation of the savings and loans.

7. The Bush family also rigged the presidential elections, then by paying off the NAACP with 3 millions of our tax dollars proved it.

8. George W. Bush even went AWOL from the Texas Air National Guard without doing one day in prison for it, again why?

9. The Bush administration did it's best to blame the country of Iraq for the anthrax attack on our government officials and purported that they in fact had weapons of mass destruction in which they planned to use on our country which was a lubricious prevarication. This was the foundation for the preemptive attack on Iraq. Remember? There were no weapons of mass destruction and the anthrax that terrorized our government officials did in fact belong to our own government. All these people were murdered for nothing! These were fear tactics used by the Bush administration in their endeavors to usurp the country of Iraq's resources. Then at the same time they come up with the Patriots Act which is a gross violation of civil and human rights. Also, when it was proven that the anthrax did in fact belong to our own government they purported it stolen. How could anyone be so dumb, or anything be so obvious as this, when only democrats, except for one who was a Republican turned democrat, was infected with the anthrax virus?

10. It was also promulgated that George W. Bush had a cocaine addiction, which could account for his mental instability and his belief that he is on a holy crusade for God.

11. The Bush family has a habitual history of crime, corruption, and murder.

12. Our government, the United States, is now being charged with war crimes again as a result of Bush's leadership.

13. According to the transcript of "60

Minutes," Mr. O'Neill received briefing materials about Iraq. "There are memos. One of them, marked 'secret,' says 'Plan for Post-Saddam Iraq,'" Mr. Suskind said on the transcript. The documents discussed an occupation of Iraq in January and February of 2001, he said.

The list goes on and on. But you what? If a legitimate investigation was done on the fifteen terrorists from Saudi Arabia George W. Bush would be on trial at the United Nations at this very moment and the country of Iraq would be spared from all their suffering for their only crime being cursed with a vast oil reserve.

Bush in many ways is a terrible monster a lot like Hitler, but unlike Hitler George W. Bush is allowed to go unpunished for his crimes against humanity while he still remains in the White House as the illegitimate President of the United States and continues destroying untold peoples' lives at an alarming rate. This man has murdered so many people because of his demented ideology alone in our country we can't even begin to keep track of all the deaths as a result. I often wonder, when is the United Nations going to investigate these terrible crimes and bring to an end the reign of a mad man? Please help us so these people would not have died in vain by writing the United Nations. This monster must not go unpunished! By bringing George W. Bush to trial in the World Court for crimes against humanity not only would prevent any more suffering as a result of this lunatic, but it would prove to the rest of the world that justice does prevail in the United Nations and that the United Nations stands for honor, integrity, and human right around the world. Don't let this demented reprobate go unpunished. We need to make this mad man pay for these iniquitous crimes he has committed here and around the world. This is why:

The Bush Family Values—<http://www.buzzflash.com/perspectives/bushvalues.html>

Bush is Evil—http://bush_is_evil_666.tripod.com/index.html

George W. Bush—Vote to Impeach—<http://www.vote-toimpeach.org/>

Bush's ideology—<http://ancientn-eareast.tripod.com/Sumer.html>

Bush's military records—<http://www.talion.com/georgebush.html>

Hail to the Thief—<http://www.knowthecandidates.org/ktc/bush.html>

Bush resistance—<http://www.sinistertwing.com/resistance.html>

Vets for Justice—<http://www.vets-forjustice.com/>

Pictures of Iraq—<http://gawaher.com/i2/index.php?act=ST&f=80&t=495&>

Pictures of Afghanistan—http://www.robert-fisk.com/pictures_civilian_casualties.htm

Bush and Saudi connection—http://www.truthout.org/docs_01/12.17C.Saudi.Friends.htm

911 Cover Up—<http://www.wantto-know.info/9-11cover-up>

Bush and Kennedy connection—<http://www.angelfire.com/ky/ohwhy/Bush.html>

Afghan Massacre: The Convoy of Death—<http://teoneworld.net/tapestry?link=3319&window=full>

Kennedy Assassination—<http://www.sumeria.net/politics/kennedy.html>

Democracy Now—Virtually 1,000,000 Bush is Evil Websites—<http://www.google.com/search?hl=en&lr=&ie=UTF-8&oe=UTF-8&q=bush+is+evil&btnG=Google+Search>

Bush's I.Q.—<http://urbanlegends.about.com/library/bli-q-bush.html>

Bush's drug use—<http://www.bush-watch.com/bushcoke.html>

Police & Governmental Crimes—http://perverts_15.tripod.com/index_in_Government.html

Declaration of Independence—<http://www.yale.edu/lawweb/avalon/declare.html>

Declaration of Human Rights—<http://www.hrweb.org/legal/udhr.html>

US Constitution—<http://memory.loc.gov/const/const.html>

We as a people must stop living in a fantasy world and avoid the propaganda machine created by our government. If we don't do it for us, then lets do it for posterity because the children weren't the one's who ignored the warning signs and allowed this nightmare to happen- we did. Now we must make a stand for our way of life and our freedoms that we all had and once enjoyed before we have nothing left to fight for. Our leaders in Washington are inebriated with power, and are running wild. This is some of our fault for being lazy and ignoring these warning signs and the truth. We need to form a coalition and find some way to make them answerable for their actions as we are and take our country back. Good luck in what ever decision you may make.

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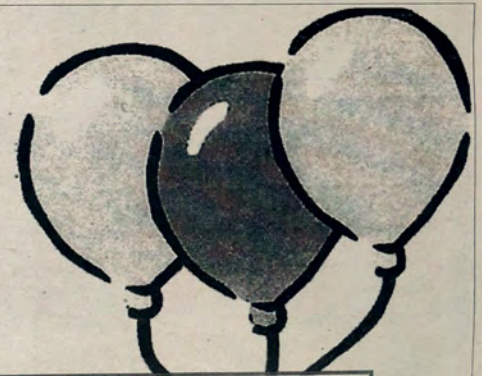
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What are you most looking forward to now that the café is open?



Dan Egan
Senior
Physical Education

A place to sit, do homework and have a cup of coffee.

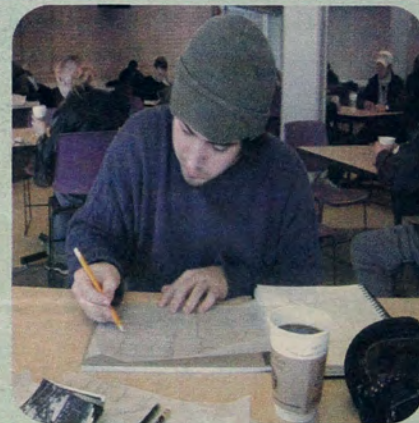
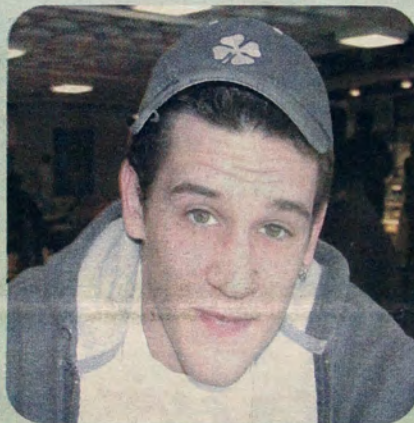
Danielle McNally
Elementary education
Freshmen

It's a different atmosphere; she thinks it's not as loud. It's not as congested.



Andrew Stevenson
Psychology
Junior

Um...killing time in between classes I guess.



Paul Baptista
Sophomore
Biology

Not being vegan so I can eat the pizza. And well... the free coffee served by half nude Asian women.



Meela Daniel
CIS
Junior

I'm looking forward to the new addition of a pool table and arcade games.

Steve Fernandes
Sociology and music
Junior

The acoustic set on Wednesdays because I'm probably going to be playing. (Plug)



Christine Brounelle
Junior
Early childhood education

I want the pool table back. I liked the [Coffee Ground] how it used to be. It's too sterile now. The food's good though...please don't put my picture in.



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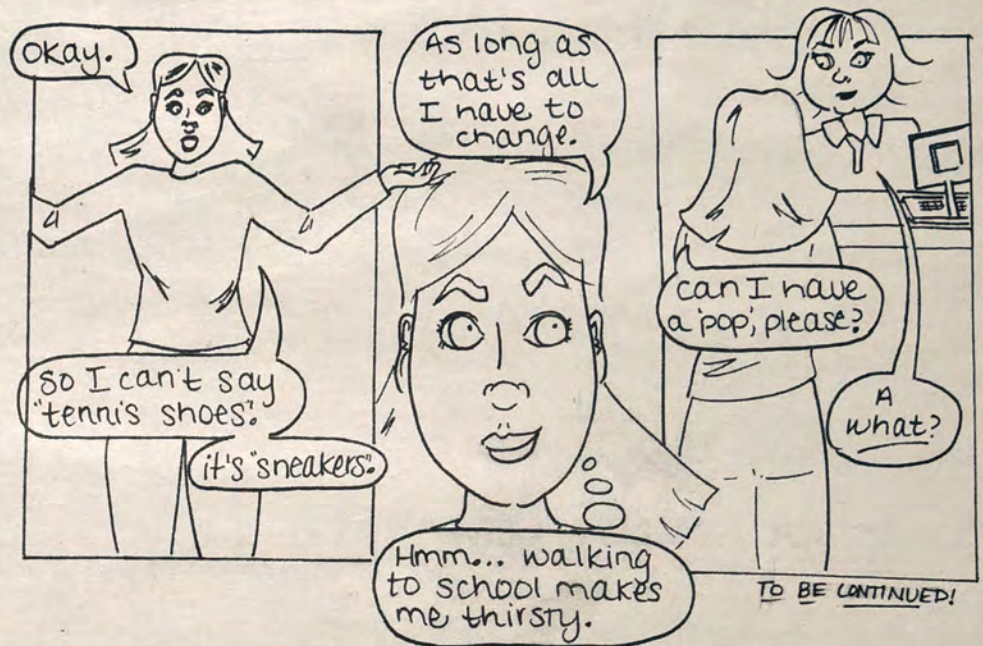
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RELATIVELY IMMATURE COMICS

For those of you who might be wondering what 'Surviving What Seven Sees' is all about, I'll let y'all in on a little secret: I'm from Kansas and can't wait to move back. Basically, this strip is me complaining about Southern New England as this girl, Seven, struggles to get to school. Enjoy. I'm not.

Surviving what Seven Sees.

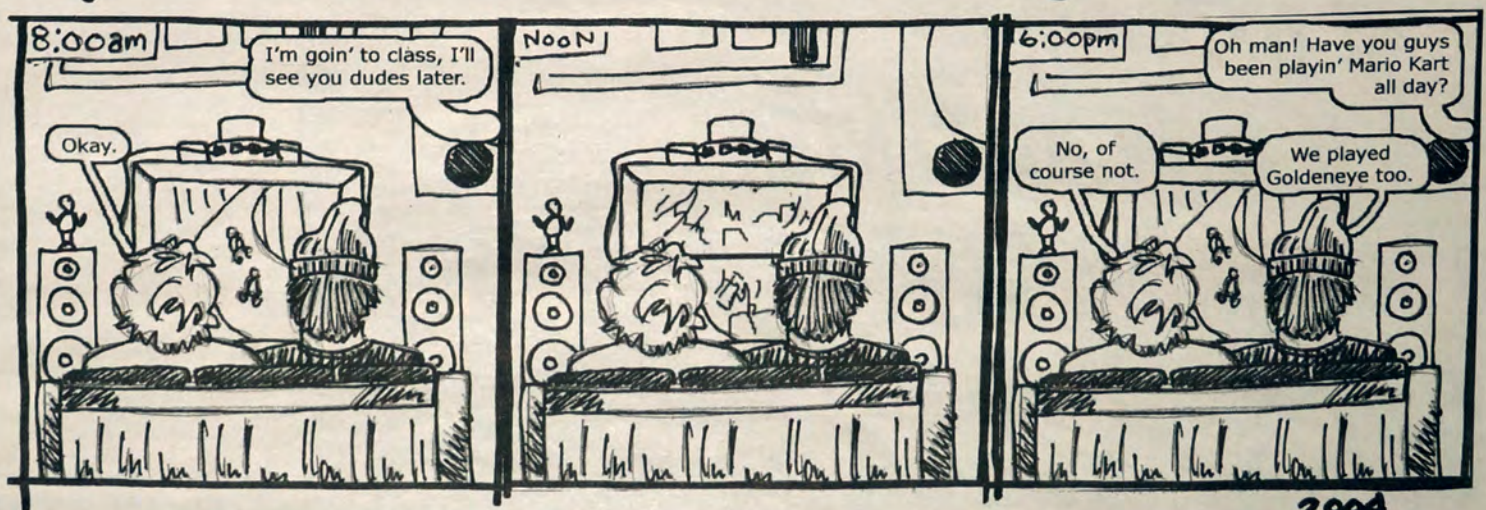


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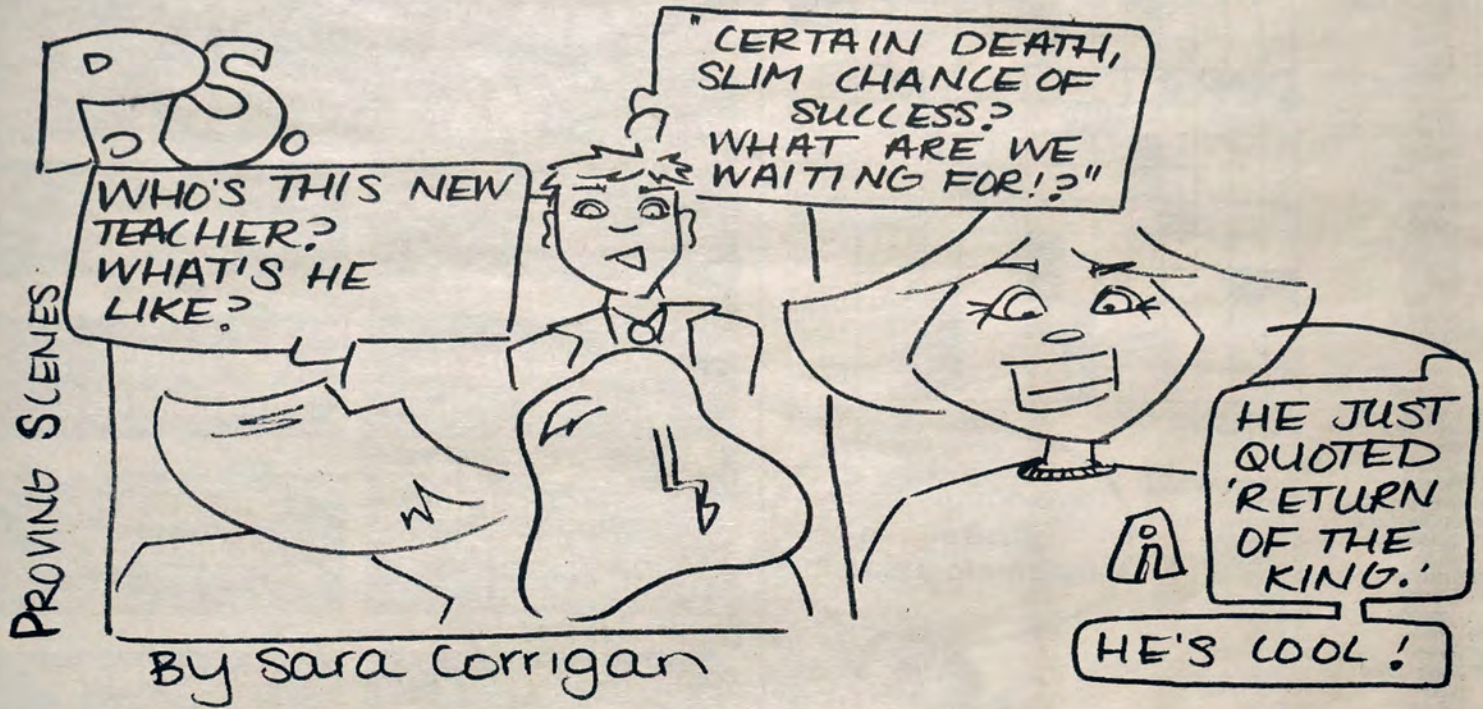


My Parent's Basement

by: Scott Pacheco

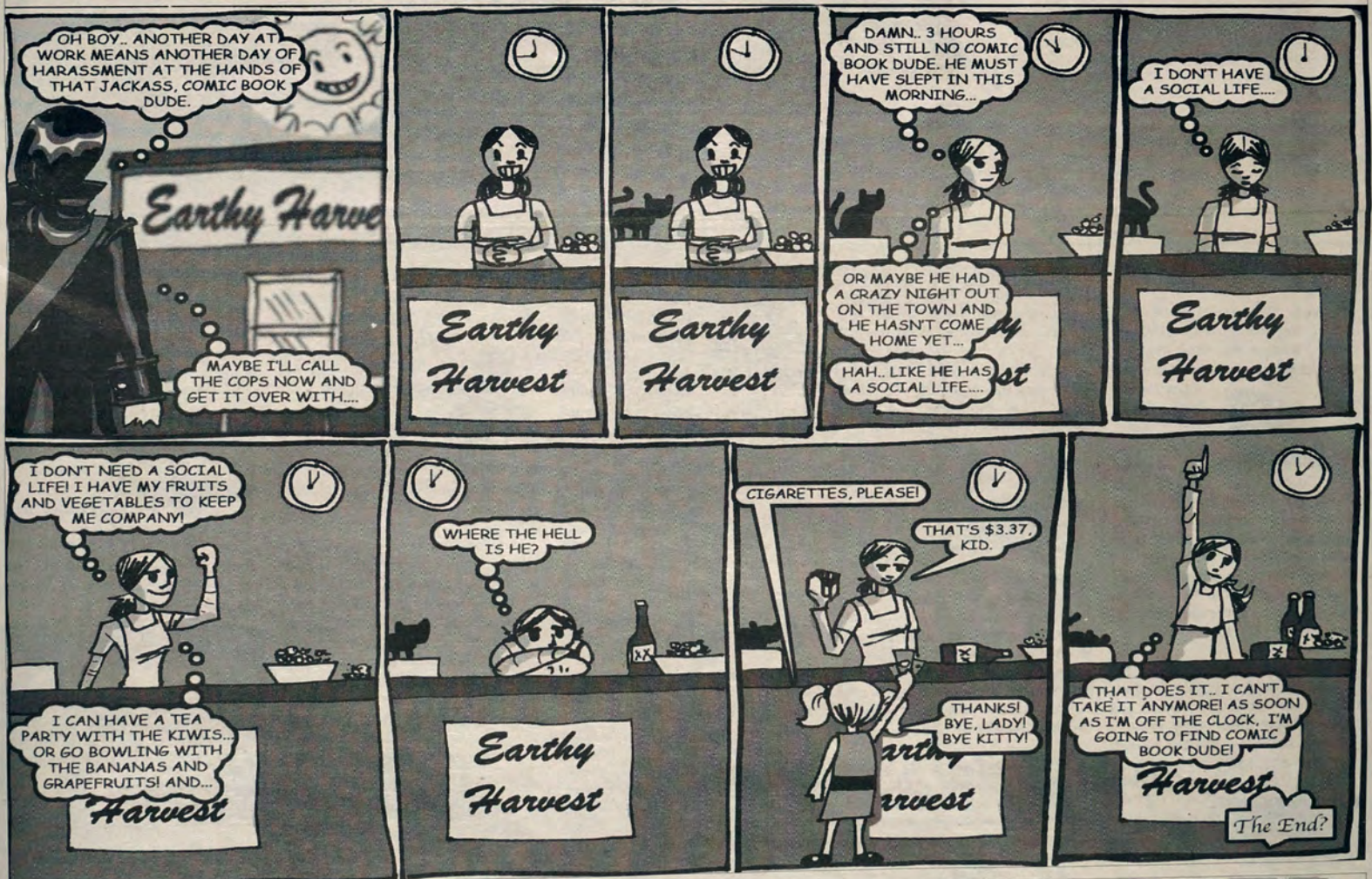


RELATIVELY IMMATURE COMICS



COMIC BOOK DUDE & VEGETARIAN GIRL

BY: R. GRAVES



SPAM-KU

If I wrote a book,
it would be one for
children.
"Go, Spam, go!" it
reads.

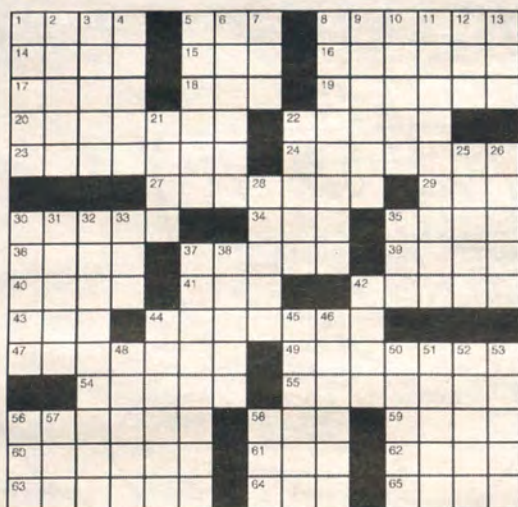
My favorite color
is not made by
Crayola.
I call it 'Spam Pink.'



Crossword

- ACROSS
- Junk e-mail
 - Na Na
 - Criticized harshly
 - Fighting force
 - Vigor
 - Seem
 - Equitable
 - Feedbag tidbit
 - Uncommon thing
 - Competitor in a contest
 - Bishop's headdress
 - Exorbitantly pricey
 - Shakespearean tragedy
 - Ruin
 - the ramparts...
 - Costume jewelry
 - Author Fleming
 - Scotia
 - Comic Johnson
 - Moby Dick, for one
 - Send forth
 - Skin pit
 - Shell propeller
 - Outlaw James
 - Cassowary cousin
 - Nelson or Alger
 - Firearms cleaners
 - Former
 - Swamp
 - James Joyce novel
 - Hebrew prophet
 - Health resort
 - Word of sorrow
 - "Dennis the"
 - Sunday seat
 - M. Descartes
 - Exhaled audibly
 - Affirmative
 - Mach+ jets

- DOWN
- Strongboxes
 - Practical joke
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Sparkimus Prime desires... a hydraulic penis!!!!



- Freeloader
- Moors
- Suitable
- Male voice
- Lack of interest
- Binge
- Family treasures
- Devour
- Arid
- Assistant
- Virtuous
- Blue jeans
- Speak pompously
- Jeweled coronet
- Treatise or essay
- Odor
- Playing chords on a guitar
- Driving gadget
- Born in Rouen
- Fuel storage building
- Rough
- Kangaroo kid
- Greeley or Mann
- Worn rug?

- Relatives by marriage
- Hindu prince
- Russian rulers
- Man and Capri
- Intended
- Back-and-forth
- curves
- Printer's measures
- Hawaiian garland
- Undercover agent

EDGE MATCH



MR. T vs. TP



pities the fool

pities the poo

Winner

has gold chains that hang off him

has gold corns that hang off it

Winner (bling bling, y'all)

"Next to God, there is no greater protection than I"

Extra protection against poo.

Winner (duh..)

Mr. T throws a party

TP gets thrown in a potty

Winner

Needs Work!

At work on a daily, sometimes hourly basis.

Winner... I suppose.

EDGE- first name "Mr". middle name- "period." Last name- "T".

By Lasha Seniuk

Aries (March 21-April 20). Sudden impressions may clarify a strained relationship. After Monday, watch loved ones for subtle clues and unexpected hints. Social power struggles are easily resolved before midweek. Ask probing questions and refuse to ignore public controversy. Wednesday through Saturday highlights joint financial statements and shared expenses. Someone close may need practical advice or guidance. Don't delay; important property decisions may be at issue.



Taurus (April 21-May 20). Before midweek, key financial decisions prove worthwhile. Friends and relatives may compliment creative business strategies. Use this time to advance career plans, apply for loans or foster working partnerships. Find positive outlets and expect passionate acceptance from loved ones. Ambition will slowly return. Late Friday, an unusual romantic or social proposal may be troublesome. Avoid complex triangles, mildly unethical flirtations or last-minute invitations.



Gemini (May 21-June 21). Romantic overtures are gently persuasive over the next few days. Before midweek, expect new love affairs or unique friendships to trigger key decisions. Some Geminis will soon change their daily obligations and long-term family plans. Stay focused and watch for subtle invitations. After Thursday, short-term business plans or temporary job



assignments may be rescheduled. Remain attentive to small details and new instructions. Work officials will expect your undivided attention.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). Colleagues may be mildly confrontational over the next few days. Remain sensitive to lingering disagreements involving seniority, assigned duties or delayed promotions.



Before midweek, emotional reactions may be unpredictable. Avoid acting as mediator or adviser. Late Thursday, some Cancerians may also encounter a complex romantic or social invitation from a colleague. If so, remain cautious. Private love affairs, hidden agendas or unusual triangles may be involved.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). Intimate relationships begin an intensive phase of planning. Early this week, some Leos, especially those born after 1963, will adopt controversial family ideas. Shared expenses, rare promises or relocation may be accented. Go slow and press for reliable details. Potential life partners may reveal their long-term plans. After Sunday, single Leos will encounter several new romantic invitations. Remain diplomatic and wait for obvious clues. Passions will be high.



Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Home repairs or unexpected family expenses may be temporarily draining over the next few days. Although financial luck is high, past duties or forgotten payments will briefly reappear. Quickly finalized all plans and obligations. A delayed response may trigger unnecessary conflict. After

Thursday, friends and lovers may insist on revised emotional rules or new daily routines. Fear of abandonment or social awkwardness may be concerns. Remain open to subtle hints.



Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Late social invitations may prove emotionally complicated. Over the next two days, expect friends or colleagues to present conflicting facts, dates or times. Creative planning or group events may intensify private tensions. Loved ones will ask for acceptance; remain cautious and watch for key breakthroughs. Thursday through Saturday accent renewed career interest and rare financial opportunities. Thoroughly study new proposals.



Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22). Workplace differences and minor jealousies may be annoying this week. New co-workers may press for advancement or request special favors. Public discussion is best avoided, however. Before Wednesday, fresh ideas and creativity will be quickly challenged. Thursday through Saturday, family relationships will steadily improve. Loved ones, although emotionally needy, will allow for greater moments of relaxation or freedom. Respond with cheerful optimism.



Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21). Compliments or rare group invitations indicate a new attitude of social acceptance. Monday through Thursday, watch for unique proposals or unexpected opportunities for change. Apologies from friends or

workplace regrets will not be conventionally expressed. Respond with cheerful honesty and expect emotional distance or distrust to soon fade. Late Friday also accents a minor disagreement with an older relative. Take time to clearly explain your position.



Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 20). Old memories or forgotten friends may challenge present relationships. Before Thursday, expect loved ones to need careful support and extra reassurance. Plan private encounters or cozy family gatherings. This is not the right time to let nostalgic thoughts or past disappointments take top priority. Friday through Sunday avoid excess spending or new investments. Added financial information and new demands may arrive early next week.



Aquarius (Jan. 21-Feb. 19). Before Wednesday, group plans may be postponed or canceled. Close friends and colleagues are easily distracted by quick reversals and fast overtures. Take none of it personally. At present, underlying family or romantic tensions may influence social decisions. Later this week, a friend or relative may challenge your financial habits or ask probing business questions. Don't hesitate to provide valid public information. Moodiness and hidden facts are best avoided.



Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20).

Over the next four days, business relations may be briefly strained by private agendas. Pay special attention to career ambitions or ongoing power struggles between colleagues. Withheld emotions will rise quickly to the surface. Avoid public debate, if possible, and opt for solitary duties. After Thursday, powerful romantic feelings may emerge. Don't hold back. Love relationships, shared sensuality and new friendships are strongly favored in the coming weeks.



If your birthday is this week.

Subtle health issues affecting the immune system, circulation or kidneys may be briefly bothersome. Before mid-March, study daily routines, sleep patterns and fitness regimens. In the coming weeks, improved habits will greatly reduce minor ailments. After April 8, watch also for a sudden flurry of business openings, new job assignments or financial changes. At present, authority figures are highly disposed in your favor and will offer unique options. Respond quickly. If successful, new contracts will need to be settled by the end of April. June through October also accent complex romantic decisions and sudden changes in key relationships. Vital choices will trigger lifestyle changes throughout September. Stay alert.

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BENS... from back

major concert hall, and also selling a nifty piece of merchandise called The Bens EP.

The three Bens all agreed that they were inclined to have something to distribute on the Aussie tour. As a result, a weekend was spent in Ben Folds' studio, recording a four song EP, labeling their newest group simply as "The Bens".

What's better than a stand up performance by Ben Folds? What's better than a really in-depth experimenting of Ben Kweiller's music? What can out do a five star break-through piece by the up-coming Ben Lee? The answer is nothing, especially when these modern musical indulgences are welded together in preliminary album accord.

This EP is a triple layer cake of absolute melodic excellence. While the disc is extremely limited in playing time (four songs), each one is done right. The first track, "Just Pretend", apiece written and performed by all three members is a fantastic display of sound greatness and great complimenting between each voice. While all the members share fairly similar style, each displays their own style and unique tone clearly, making it easy to differentiate between each vocalists' turn at bat in the song.

The second track, "Xfire", the Ben Lee spotlight song, gives this young talent the much-needed accreditation he has desired. The song is fun and plays the synthesizer in perfect harmony with the lyrics.

The Ben Kweiller original, "Stop!" is the black sheep among the small array of songs on this EP. The background music, reminiscent from Atari video game beats, finds a mood and tone, oddly misplaced when the vocals sound much deeper and intense than they should be. The song sounds like a bunch of in cohesive sound checks, and makes this track the Kweiller experiment tune.

The final track, and without a doubt, one of the best, is the Ben Folds class of expression, "Bruised" with trademark track flow and piano solo, making this song the best of the best on this album. Folds makes the lyrics sound as cool in tune, as they do on paper: "I went because you said you'd be there, A box of candy, smoke in your hair, When I didn't know, I didn't care, And now I know."

The Bens provides the world with a real musical performance that reinvents the idea of collective creativity. MTV has made the ignorant comparison between The Bens and The Donnas, making the obvious observation of similar band member names. If one actually listens to the two bands, an average music fan will be able to distinguish between the two, noticing immediately that The Bens possess two things The Donnas don't have: chest hair and musical talent.

The Bens EP is an absolute must own for any indie music follower, or Ben Folds fan. The tracks are downloadable on many MP3 sites, but a good recommendation is lent simply to ordering the EP online from Amazon.com.

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My Parent's Basement

A new (hopefully) weekly column, for the underground-pop-culture-retro-nerd in all of us.

Emulation Station

By: E. Nygma
Anchor Editor

To start off my new (hopefully) weekly column about any and all things cool, I've decided to write an informative piece rather than a critical one. So let's start with the growing underground culture of videogame emulation. For those of you who haven't got a clue as to what that is, I'll elaborate. Now we're all in college so I will assume that you know what it means to emulate something, and videogame emulation is exactly what it sounds like, playing videogames on your home PC that were originally released for either home consoles like NES or in the arcade as thousand dollar setups, and with today's new technology and hobby programmers working around the clock, just about every type of console can be emulated, from the Atari 2600 to the latest arcade games and home systems.

So enough back story, let's talk about what you need to relive your childhood. First you're gonna need an emulator. These are the programs that run on your comp. There are many different emulators for each system, and one of the best places to get them is www.zophar.net, it's free and fast. But what would a console be with out games right? And in the

world of emmu, games come in the form of computer files known as ROM's, now since ROM's are technically illegal, I will not condone or suggest the use of them, but if you want to be stubborn, and do it anyway, some great places to get them are off downloading software like Kazaa, DC++, Direct Connect, and Newsbin Pro, all of which are available as shareware. Or maybe you could find someone who already has a bunch and would be willing to give them to you.

Now, for some systems there are literally dozens of emulators, and since most of them are complete crap, I figured I'd give you a little head start as to the ones I think are worth the download. For NES and Famicom (the Japanese version of the NES) Nestopia is always a good pick. It has solid support for most games, great sound and graphics and a good running spend on most computers, plus it changes all of the icons of your ROM's to look like little NES cartridges, and it runs in Win XP. For Sega Genesis/Megadrive/CD/32X the best one by far and large is Gens. This one program will not only run genesis and 32X carts, but also supports Sega CD's, all you do is pop the CD into your drive and start up the emulator. And of course the sound, graphics, and speed are spot on. For arcade

junkies the only way to go is MAME (which stands for Multiple Arcade Machine Emulator). MAME is currently up to version 0.78 and has support for roughly 4700 arcade games (but note you will need a powerhouse system to run a game like Tekken 3). Lastly we come to the Super NES, and the best emulator so far seems to be ZSNES. It has a nice look, great sound and support, and average graphics, but still a solid download nonetheless.

Well that just about covers the major systems out there, and like I said there are hundreds of other emulators for just about every system imaginable, and I could easily fill up ten pages yakking about them all, but this article is just meant to give you a start into the world of classic gaming on your computer. If you would like to know more you can check out a great site called Digital Press @ www.digitpress.com, or my new yahoo group, My Parent's Basement.

Note: If you do actually read this and are interested enough to try emulation, but don't know which computers, and are unsure as to what to do after you get an emulator and some games, shoot me an email at discolayoutdude@hotmail.com, and I'll be happy to tell ya how to set yourself up.

What Happened to the Bloody Apes?

By: E. Nygma & Sky Rocket
Anchor Editor/Contributor



When you hear the title Night of the Bloody Apes you think of a bunch of bloody apes right?! Wrong! Well there was very little blood and one ape. But it's not what you think, there was only a single primate and it died within the first five minutes of the movie. The title of the flick is completely misleading. To top it off the English overdubbing on the original Spanish track was abysmal, even by B-movie standards.

Now chances are you don't give a hog's ass about this movie, but since you've read this far, I will tell you the plot in an attempt to make you wish you'd stopped reading long ago. This smoldering heap of crap know as a movie starts out simply, an old doctor's son is dying of cancer, so in an effort to save him the doc kidnaps an ape from the local zoo, kills it, and then replaces his son's heart with the apes, because, according to the doctor, apes blood is a cure for cancer. Anyway as you can imagine the human body

rejects the ape heart by turning the son into a half man, half ape, that spending it's nights killing and ripping the clothes off Mexican women, who just happened to be walking in a park in the middle of the night. You may be thinking by now that this film is one of those 70's B-movies that's good for a laugh when you're drunk, or, like us, without lives. Let me assure you, you're dead wrong. Words cannot describe how much this movie sucks. This film's only saving grace is that it's a cure for insomnia; I know this because I fell asleep during the movie's final act, and had to rely on the retelling of the end by my boyfriend to fill me in on the details, (not that I cared anyway). Apparently the doc took the ape heart out of his son and put the human one back in and everything was fine, except for the two or three people that died, and the many women who lost their tops.

I had to ask my boyfriend for some help about the plot because I never paid attention to the movie. I don't think that any of us that watched it paid much attention to it except to make fun of it. I like B-movies but this one was so bad that calling a B-movie would elevate it to a plateau that it does not belong on. I have never seen a movie as bad as this one ever in my entire life! I'm kind of sorry making you read this but I feel that it was my duty to warn you about this movie. I know that most of you reading this right now are saying to your self that you have never heard of that movie but I'm telling from experience that is a good thing. Avoid this movie like the plague. If you ever see it in a video store, steer clear at all costs. No wait on second thought run, run far, far away and never look back you'll thank me for this later.

Now I'm about halfway down the page in this word document and I think I've exhausted all the ways I can bash this movie so I'll leave by saying this, the only way I could conceivably see myself watching this movie again is as some sort of a sick joke on my worst enemy, and I'm glad it's my friend Dan who owns this movie and not me, because if I ever have children one day, I would not want them within 100 feet of such a putrid piece of filmmaking.

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By Sara Corrigan
Anchor Editor

Nelly Furtado has just come out with her second album by DreamWorks Records, called 'Folklore.' At age twenty-four and a mother to her newborn daughter, Nevis, Nelly is no longer the funky girl she used to be at the release of her first album, 'Whoa, Nelly!' in 2000. She has really mellowed out and has become more down-to-earth since her pregnancy began in December of 2002. *Seventeen* magazine says that Nelly's once "shrill voice [now has a] warm grace." It labels many of her new songs as "exotic." Furtado has also begun to focus on her background and how her parents immigrated to Canada from the Azores, a Portuguese cluster of islands in the Atlantic. She calls this her own folklore, and it all shows through in her newest album, titled just that: 'Folklore.'

After the completion of her first album, Furtado admits to falling in love with the pureness of stringed instruments, like the banjo, Portuguese ukulele, and the dulcimer. All of these instruments find themselves on the new album, and add to her 'folklore' theme. According to a history of the new album by DreamWorks Records, Nelly defines 'folklore' as "something magical and mystical... a belief in origin." She really set out to make modern folk music, and has achieved exactly that.

While the string music gives her songs a traditional sound, she uses much technology on this album to keep it hip and upbeat. For several of the songs, particularly the first track, "One-Trick Pony,"

A New Nelly



Furtado worked very closely with The Kronos String Quartet. The quartet actually arranged their own music for the song, which ended up a perfect fit for Nelly's lyrics. Many of Nelly's songs on this album, like "Powerless," sport a heavy, simple backbeat, which she has found herself enjoying on the "DJ scene." Her modern mixes bring an upbeat twist to the album. She spent years performing "trip-hop" music, which she describes as being very "melancholy" music in *Entertainment Weekly*, so now she always focuses on making her songs very upbeat. One of her favorite and inspiring music groups when she was younger was TLC, so she also strives to make popular tunes with similar sounds.

This new album, 'Folklore,' is definitely upbeat, especially in a couple of her rap-oriented songs, like "Fresh Off The Boat." In this tune, Nelly attempts taking the negative aspect out of being an immigrant to a new country, and focuses on the beauty and wonder of arriving at a

new world. In the past, Nelly has teamed up with rappers such as Miss Eliot and Timbaland for popular remixes of each other's songs. She really enjoyed performing this style, so was sure to include some like it on her newest album.

Nelly's second album, referred to as her *sophomore* one, was released in November of 2003. Nobody—not even Nelly herself—knew exactly how her fans and other listeners would react to her new sound and image, since it is so different from her original album. When questioned about her expectations for acceptance by interviewer Nathan Fox, Furtado commented that "as long as the work is good, people will stick with you even if you have a new image or sound." In this case, Nelly has done both. I think her new sound is a great way to please all of her fans: old and new alike.

For more information on Nelly Furtado and her new album, "Folklore," visit www.nellyfurtado.com, or www.woahnelly.com.

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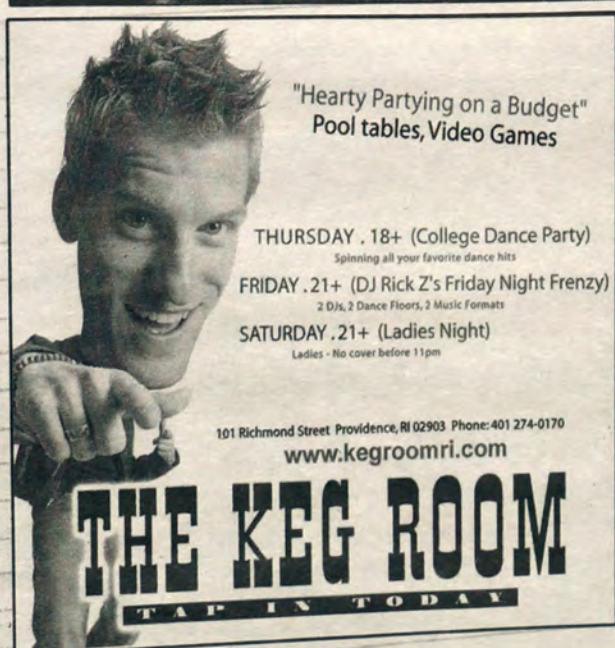


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Nerd Rock at its Best



By: Tim Labonte
Anchor Staff

Getting sick of those rock documentaries? Band forms, band struggles, band gets big, band does drugs, band collapses,

band tries to make come-back... It's all the same! I thought rock documentaries have all gone down the drain until I saw that They Might Be Giants were having an independent documentary made about the group's life and efforts, directed by AJ Schnack and produced by Shirley Moyers.

I've been a long time fan of They Might Be Giants for about seven years now and to hear a feature film documentary was going to be made about the band was amazing (I really didn't see that one coming). It was a LONG process though. Shot over seven months in 2001 the movie first premiered in the South by Southwest Film Festival in March 2002, and since then Gigantic: The Tale of Two Johns has been known as one of the best documentaries of all time.

The documentary falls very much in the style as the band. John Flansburgh (guitars and vocals) and John Linnell (accordion, keyboards, and vocals) met at Lincoln High School in Lincoln, Massachusetts.

They moved to New York City, hopefully seeking fame. Struggling, they finally got a first national press about their in People Magazine in 1985. They landed a record deal and the rest is history.

Thing is, pretty much no one knows

who They Might Be Giants are. If you've ever heard the song "Istanbul, Not Constantinople" (most likely as a cartoon music video on Tiny Toon Adventures) then you should be a little aware of them. If not, then watch Malcom in the Middle and hear the theme song. They won a Grammy in 2001 for the Malcom in the Middle theme song "Boss of Me", for Best Song Written For A Motion Picture, Television Or Other Visual Media. Even listen to the theme song to The Daily Show.

John Flansburgh and John Linnell have been around for 20 years now and you probably wonder, "Wow, this is an older group..." But believe it or not the past four years have been the busiest they have been ever, creating nonstop music for television and movies and in 1999 being the number one downloaded band on the internet from emusic.com, getting jobs from Fox and Comedy Central as well as Disney and PBS.

But if you're into documentaries, or even independent filmmaking, Gigantic: A Tale Of Two Johns is definitely the movie for you. On November 18, 2003 the movie was released on DVD with four hours of bonus features and is now #36 on Amazon.com's Top 100 DVDs of 2003. It's not expensive at all and can pick it up pretty much anywhere not expensive at all (I know for a fact Newbury Comics and Best Buy holds it).

Even if you've never heard of They Might Be Giants, it's still a good movie to watch and enjoy. It's wonderfully put together doesn't get boring whatsoever. There's humor everywhere and works in so many clever ways and all original. Get more info and check out the trailer at <http://www.giganticfilm.com>.

Calendar of Events

Tuesday January 27

Event: Art
Synopsis: The Wake
Michael Kvium and
Christian Lemmerz
Place: Bannister
Gallery in Roberts Hall

Event: Music
Synopsis: George
Weins Newport Jazz
Festival
Place: Performing
Arts Series
Time and Place: 8:00
p.m. Auditorium in
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Price: Reserved
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Friday January 30

Event: CONCERT
Synopsis: Festival
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chamber pieces. Free and
open to the public. For
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Event: CONCERT
Synopsis: Festival Concert:
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The Bens is an Equation for International Sensation

By: AJ Paglia
Anchor Staff

In January of 2003, an unknown genius made the uncomplicated statement, "You know, it would be a great idea to have Ben Folds, Ben Kweller, and Ben Lee go on tour together." And so they did, two months later throughout the continent of Australia. For the better part of March, the musically gifted trio trekked across the "land down under" making stops in every

see BENS on 20

