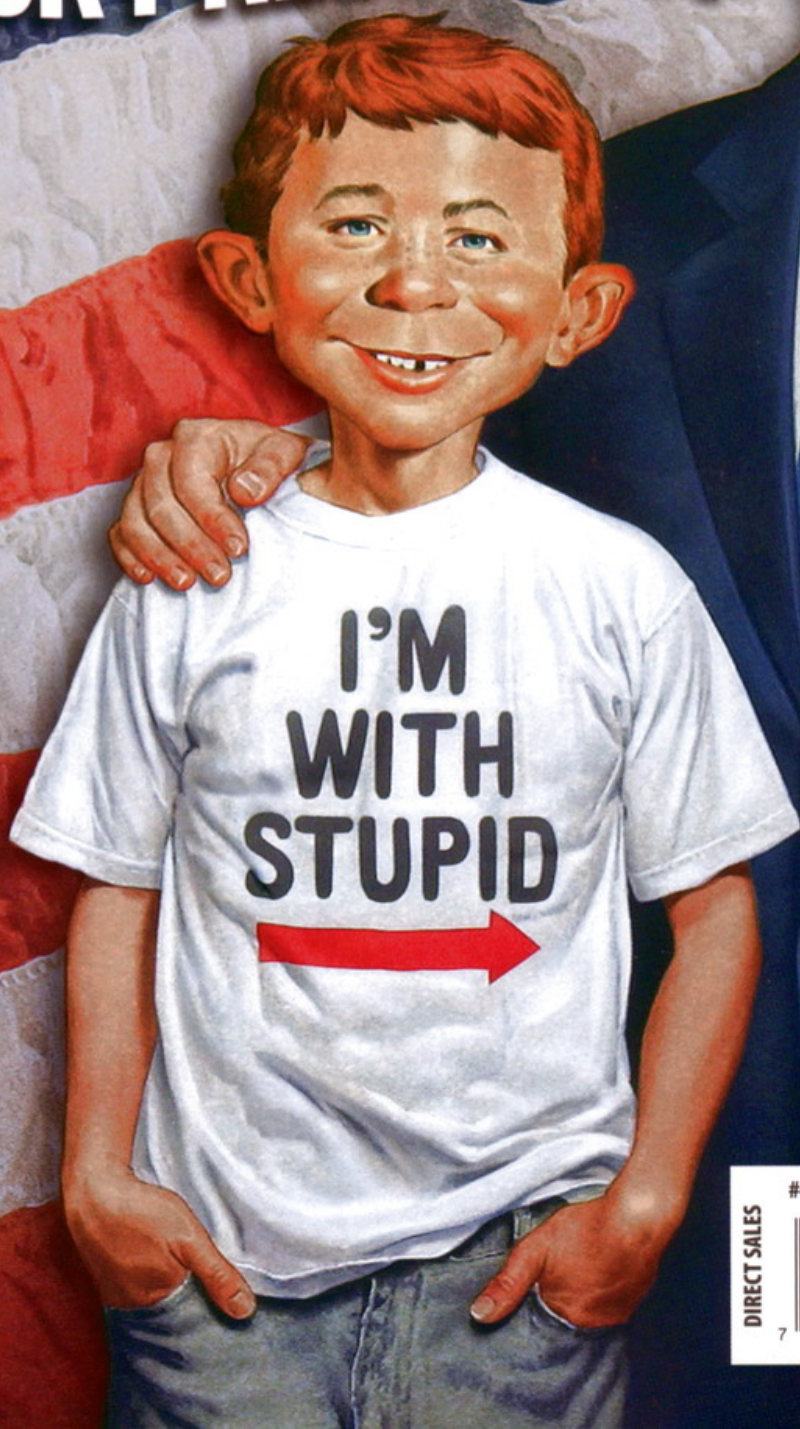


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How is it that  
a well-rounded diet  
consists of three  
square meals?

ALFRED E. NEUMAN

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## RICH MAN, BORED MAN

Please help me! My boredom level is dangerously high! My subscription to MAD is running out soon and I'm losing it! Our maids keep shoveling all my magazines in my closet and it makes me incredibly pissed! If the pages don't get torn by that, the entire magazine gets thrown out because my mom was "cleaning up." I'm now reduced to movies and my Gameboy for entertainment and I already beat every game on it. I desperately need a subscription and I'm flat broke. Can you help me with one?

Max Justicz, Atlanta, GA

Justicz League — We could barely get through your letter with the tears welling in our eyes. That's a real tough life you've got there, Maxie — it reminds us of something out of a Dickens novel! Your maids cleaned up your MADs for you and now you just have your Gameboy to play with? Next you'll tell us that you're so bored you have to ride your diamond-encrusted bike or listen to your solid-gold iPod! We hope your luck changes and although we can't give you a MAD subscription, you will certainly be in our prayers! —Ed.



## ENVELOPE OF THE MONTH

Fans of the MAD Letters Page will be excited to know that defending "Envelope of the Month" champ Jim Hutchings has responded to challenger Matt Handfield's Envelope Of The Month smackdown from issue #466. We think you'll agree that Jim's response is boldly-worded and more than a little baffling. Matt, are you going to take this from a Canadian? C'mon, man, defend your country's honor! One thing's for sure — in this battle, even the winner is a loser! —Ed.



MATT'S INCENDIARY ARTWORK FROM MAD #466



JIM'S "COURAGEOUS" RESPONSE

## OF VICE AND MEN PART II

I noticed in the Letters Page of MAD #469 you have a picture of the cover of Vice magazine which you attribute to Al Jaffee. It was, in fact, drawn by two people. One of them being Mr. Jaffee and the other being me. I drew all those critters floating around in Al's brain cloud.

Johnny Ryan, Los Angeles, CA

Rye Bread — This is typical Jaffee! Getting rich off the blood, sweat and tears of those who toil behind the scenes. Well, the jig is up, Jaffee! Your days of grandstanding and strong-arming are over! We're happy to set the record straight and offer our sincerest apologies to fellow MAD artist Johnny Ryan! —Ed.



JOHNNY RYAN'S ARTWORK

NEUTRAL ZONE

AL JAFFEE'S ARTWORK





## STEAL WOOL

I have been a huge fan of your rag since I can remember. I continue my subscription despite my mailman's disapproving glances as he drops it in my box. I've enjoyed seeing how it has evolved over the years. In the past few years I've been delighted with the addition of madmumbings@madmag.com. I enjoy the offbeat and sometimes insane bits of wisdom that spews forth from the folks at madmag.com. However, in MAD #468, someone named eligold27 submitted the phrase "It's a well-known fact that the sheep that gives us steel wool have no natural enemies." Perhaps some of your more astute readers have noticed, as I have, that this is not an original musing by eligold27, but a stolen line from a *Far Side* comic. I'm shocked that someone would stoop so low just to get something printed in your lousy mag...which I still love, by the way. Therefore I invite all MAD readers to rise up against eligold27 and demand justice on the behalf of Mr. Gary Larson. For shame, eligold27, for shame.

Nick Norsten, Hollywood, CA

Nickelback — That is a very serious accusation...and an accurate one. We were dismayed to find that the line is, in fact, stolen from a *Far Side* cartoon. We were so incensed by this blatant plagiarism, that we got our crack team of internet security specialists to track down the identity of eligold27. And after several hundred man hours, our team got their man! We're saddened and ashamed to report that eligold27 is none other than long-time MAD contributor and career scoundrel, Al Jaffee. We'd like to apologize to long-time MAD non-contributor Gary Larson. And although this doesn't affect him in any way, we'd like to apologize once again to Johnny Ryan. For shame, Al Jaffee, for shame! —Ed.

## TAT'S ALL, FOLKS!

I really have to start thinking things through. How about a three-year subscription to line my birdcage with?

John Beuhler, British Columbia, Canada

Beuhler?...Beuhler? — It looks like you're in for a lifetime of long-sleeved shirts, friend! We have one question though — what's with Alfred's eyes? He looks like he hasn't slept in weeks. Congrats on your free one-year subscription. Hopefully the money you save can be put towards the tattoo removal surgery! See you in the O.R.! —Ed.

JOHN'S  
HORRIBLE,  
PERMANENT  
MISTAKE



# MAD NIFTY FIFTY CELEBRITY SNAPS

As the winner of *Beauty And The Geek*, I was accosted by a young orphan boy asking to take a picture with me while I held up a MAD. Having appeared in the magazine with Spike Lee and *Survivor*'s Jonny Fairplay as part of The Ed.'s Nifty Fifty™, I knew what he was up to. And I figured now that I've won \$250,000, it was time to do what everyone else with money does — get free stuff. So I rejected his offer, stole the issue he had on him, and decided to take a picture with myself holding a MAD. If not part of the Ed.'s Nifty Fifty™, I'd have to believe that the winner of *Beauty And The Geek* is at least in the Ed.'s Not-That-Great Ninety Eight™! Growing up on MAD (I owe my sense of humor to the magazine) I recall an article entitled "You're A Winner And A Loser..." and humbly ask you to add me under that rubric — whether the subscription to MAD or winning a show named *Beauty And The Geek* makes me the loser, I leave up to you (and my high school bullies.)

Josh Herman, Los Angeles, CA

Herminator — Reading your letter brought a tear to our jaded, world-weary eye. On these very Letters Pages, we've watched you grow up (relatively speaking). We think this is a first: a Celebrity Snapper becoming a Celebrity Snappee. By the way, the publication of this letter officially ends your 15 minutes of fame! Enjoy your three-year subscription and we look forward to your inevitable appearance on *The Surreal Life*! —Ed.

## DISHONARABLE MENTION

I have one question. I was wondering if you kept track of how many times people write to you and if there is a record. If there is a record, would you please tell me because I would like to break it. Also, I know you probably will find a way to make fun of my name, and I would just like to wish you good luck!

Zevi Lowenberg, Baltimore, MD

Zevi Nova — Actually, we haven't kept track of how often people write to us. But for the sake of this conversation, let's just say you've broken the record with this letter. Congratulations on your victory — now there is no reason to write to us ever again. —Ed.

P.S. We hope you like how we made fun of your name — we could never have risen to the challenge without your encouragement!

JOSH AND SPIKE LEE FROM MAD #398



JOSH AND JONNY FAIRPLAY  
FROM MAD #444



JOSH AND HIMSELF FROM MAD #471

## STAGE BLIGHT

I have a question, in MAD #468 in "Reasons You Should Definitely Skip Summer Concerts," you are making fun of a singer talking about politics who looks and acts a lot like the singer Conor Oberst from the band Bright Eyes. Is that singer him?

Tyler Pittman, Jeromesville, OH

Merry Tyler Moron — You've raised a really sore subject for us. The character you identify as Conor Oberst was actually artist Simon Gane's attempt to draw Kanye West. Suffice to say, Mr. Gane missed the mark and we are still very displeased. Thanks for opening up old wounds! —Ed.







## BUT SIRIUS-LY, FOLKS...

Recently on the Howard Stern radio show, Howard and guest Louis C.K. (of the HBO series *Lucky Louie*) had nothing better to talk about than MAD! We're willing to bet that this is when Sirius subscribers switched over to Nordic Rox (channel 18 for all you Ace Of Base fans)! Here's how the conversation went:



HOWARD STERN  
COVER ART (MAD #335)



My influence was MAD Magazine.



Right... Oh, I loved MAD Magazine when I was little.



And the first time MAD Magazine put me on the cover, I was beside myself.



Oh god! That must've been amazing!



It was an amazing feeling and I remember I think they had my head coming out of a toilet bowl with a plunger.



I was like wow, I mean that's too much — Ya know, I gotta — I gotta blow up that cover because I really should look at that.



That's a great moment.



Yeah. I savored that.

Don't forget to send  
in your vote for...

## THE BIG QUESTION

Which celebrity would you most  
like to see get attacked by a  
Bird Flu-infected Emu?

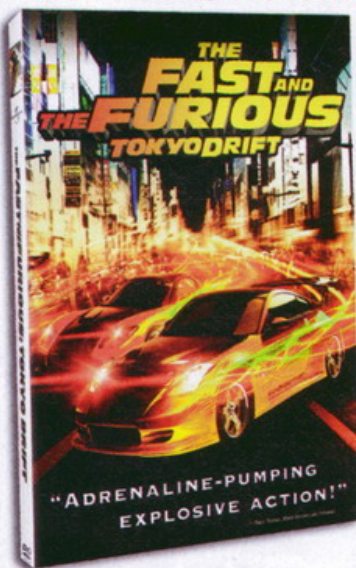
- ☐ American Idol loser Katharine McPhee
- ☐ What's-his-name who plays Superman
- ☐ Former soft-porn model turned Beatle gold digger Heather Mills McCartney
- ☐ Daniel "We'll show you what a bad day is" Powder

Send in your pick to Amy "The Big Question" Vozeolas. c/o MAD Magazine, 1700 Broadway, NY, NY 10019.

We'll illustrate the "winner"  
in an upcoming issue!

## READER ALERT!

Those of you lucky enough to have your letters printed in this month's Letters Page will receive a DVD of *The Fast and the Furious: Tokyo Drift*, courtesy of Universal Home Video.



Don't fret if you didn't make it into the Letters Page, the DVD is on sale now!



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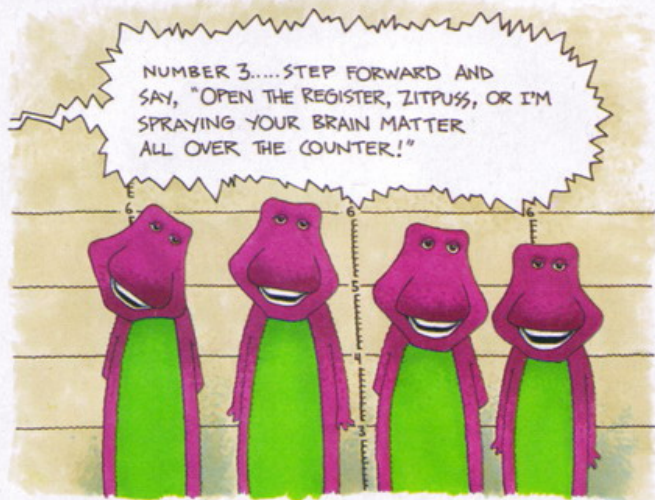
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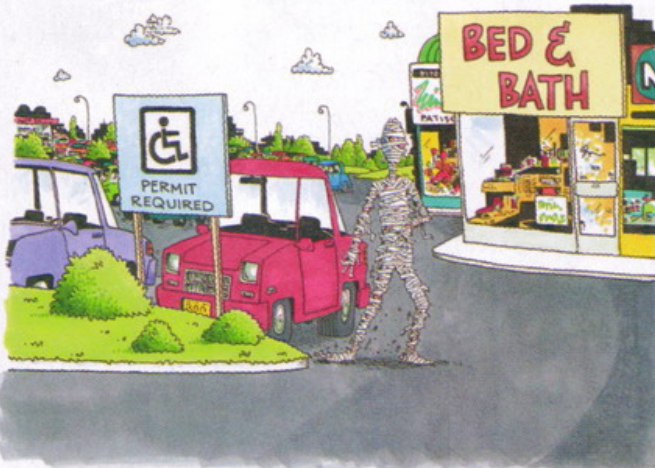


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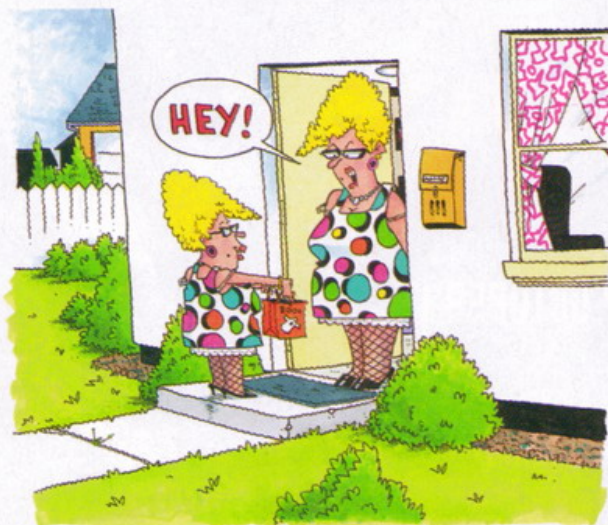
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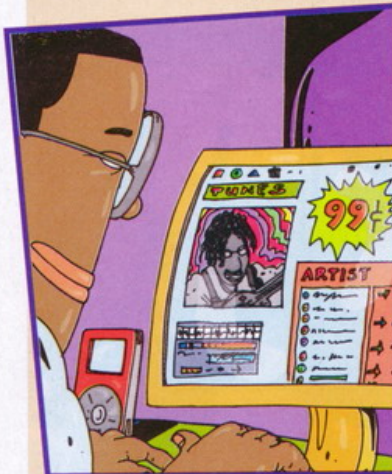


Flagrant Abuse of Handicapped Parking Spaces



Unfortunate Costume Coincidences

## MELVIN & JENKINS' GUIDE TO ONLINE MUSIC



**Jenkins** would never illegally download a song, because it deprives the artist of their rightful royalties.



**Melvin** doesn't illegally download either, because his double-layered sweatshirt is still "Ol' Reliable."

## GOOD NEWS COMING OUT OF IRAQ WHICH THE MEDIA ISN'T COVERING...

Skimping on body armor for the troops frees up government funds for their stay in VA hospitals when they return home.

Air pollution is down in Iraq, since people are much more reluctant to drive, what with the roadside bombs.

The constant bloody attacks by insurgents provide a good dry run for the inevitable bloody civil war.

After a cursed, 30-year losing streak, Basra Tech is having a Cinderella run in the Iraqi NCAA basketball tournament.

When the left-wing peacenik press reported the story about 27 people found dead in a ditch outside Baghdad, they neglected to tell you that it was only 26. One man was sliced in half, so they thought at first it was two people.

The war is actually saving future lives — since it's such an embarrassing debacle that young American men are refusing to join the armed services.



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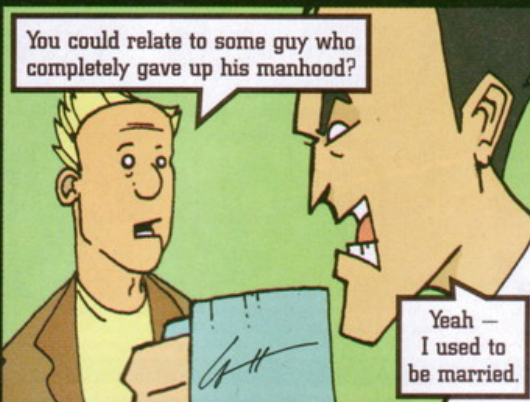
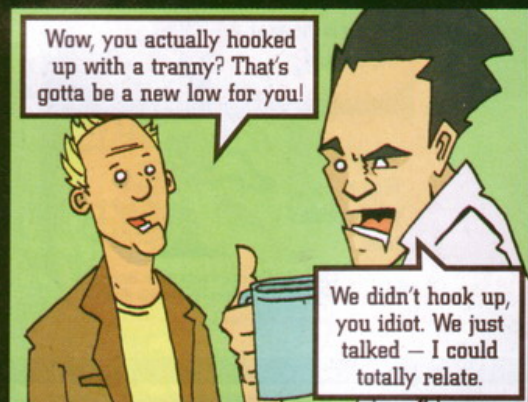


Well, if these references check out, I'd say we've found Eric his new boogie man.

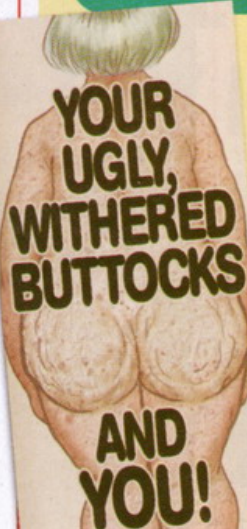
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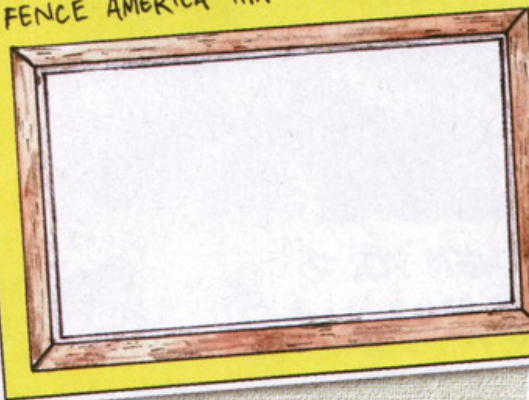
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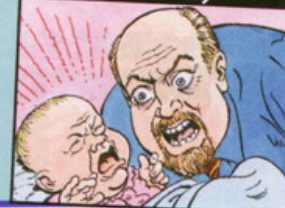
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## SELF-DEFENSE FOR ALTAR BOYS

### CRUCIFIX JAB

Self defense experts know that a common door or car key makes an excellent weapon when held firmly between the fingers and jabbed into someone's eye. But few people realize that a miniature crucifix, such as the kind found on rosary beads, are equally effective.

#### Step 1

Wrap rosary tightly around open palm.



#### Step 2

Hold crucifix firmly between your index finger and middle finger with the bottom (base) pointed straight out.



#### Step 3

Clench fist and punch pedophile priest directly in eye. Repeat as necessary.



### VOTIVE CANDLE WAX TOSS

Votives are commonly found in cathedrals and rectories. They are a convenient source of hot wax, which, when thrown accurately, can severely stun and/or scald an advancing debauched man of the cloth.

#### Step 1

Reach for lighted votive and grasp lightly between fingertips and thumb.



#### Step 2

With a quick and precise flick of the wrist, toss wax from candle wick into molesting monsignor's face.



#### Step 3

Run away.



### INCENSE HOLDER TWIRL

In a pinch, a makeshift mace can be fashioned out of a traditional incense burner. By swinging the incense burner directly into a predatory pastor's forehead you can knock him unconscious long enough to call the police and maybe even the local news.

#### Step 1

Firmly grip chain attached to incense burner.



#### Step 2

With a brisk rotation of the arm, twirl incense burner in the air at rapid speed.



#### Step 3

Fling at pervo prelate's head.



Note: Incense burners without a chain may be thrown directly at a corrupt cardinal's head. In many cases, this is equally effective.

\*These self-defense techniques are only to be used on sexually aggressive clergymen. Most priests are really swell guys. (This disclaimer presented as a tip o' the hat to Catholic League president William Donohue.)

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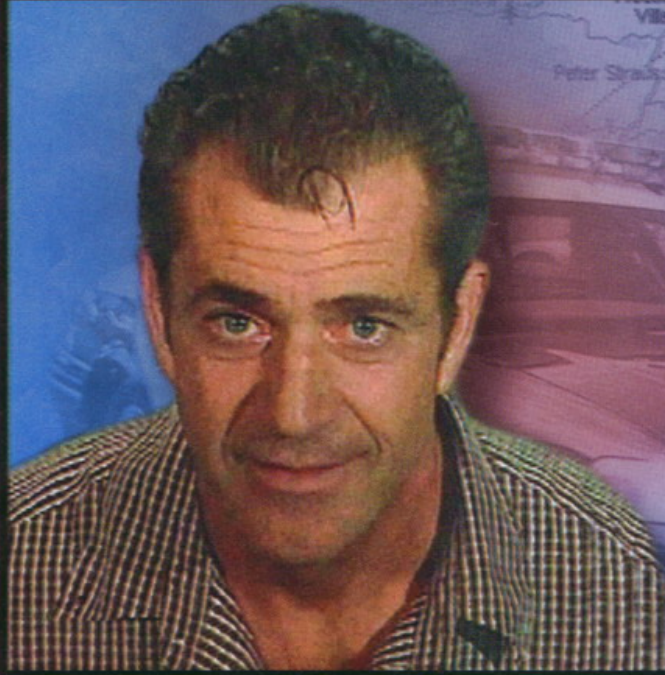


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MALIBU!"

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A JEW?"

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IN YOUR CAR!"

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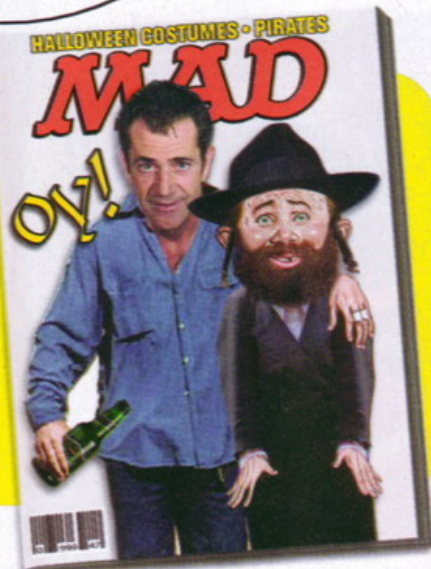
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AND THEY SAY  
I'M ANTI-SEMITIC! HOW  
ABOUT THAT GIBSON?! HOO-BOY!  
STILL, I COULD USE A MAN LIKE  
HIM IN MY ORGANIZATION, ONCE THIS  
WHOLE TRIAL THING BLOWS OVER AND I'M  
BACK TO RUNNING THINGS AROUND HERE!  
I ESPECIALLY LIKE GIBSON'S PERFORMANCE IN  
LETHAL WEAPON. NOT THE ONE WITH JOE PESCI,  
THOUGH. THAT SUCKED! UDAY AND GUSAY  
GAVE IT TWO THUMBS DOWN!  
BUT, I AM A LITTLE HURT. THIS GUY GOES  
OFF ON ONE ANTI-SEMITIC TRAP AND HE  
GETS HIS OWN FEATURE! I PERSECUTED  
THOUSANDS OF MY FELLOW COUNTRYMEN  
AND I GET BUPKIS! WHO'S A GUY  
GOTTA EXECUTE TO GET A  
SADDAM-A-LINE??



## The Cover We Didn't Use



## MEL GIBSON'S APOLOGY (FIRST DRAFT)

On July 28th, I embarrassed my family, my agency, my co-stars, my gaffers — and, most important of all, I embarrassed myself. My struggle with alcohol is reminiscent of Christ's Passion and struggle at Calvary — although His persecutors didn't have sophisticated radar equipment and breathalyzers. Also, *He* didn't have His mugshot plastered all over the tabloids the next day — so in many ways, He had it easier. Anyhow, I have entered rehab, and with the help of God (the New Testament one) I hope to become sober for good.

I also wish to apologize to the Jewish community for my inexcusable remarks. I do not really believe that Jews are responsible for all the wars in the world. For instance, how many Jews live in Darfur? I especially apologize to all the powerful producers, directors, critics, and other Jewish movers-and-shakers who pretty much run Hollywood. I am not anti-Semitic, and all forms of bigotry run against my bizarre splinter version of Catholicism. As my father always told me...well, maybe it's not such a good idea to go into that right now.

As for the "sugart\*ts" comment, that was misinterpreted. I was merely paraphrasing Song of Solomon 7:6-8, which reads, "How pleasant art thou, O love, for delights! Thy breasts shall be as clusters of the vine." It was meant to inspire, not to demean. At least that's what I sort of remember.

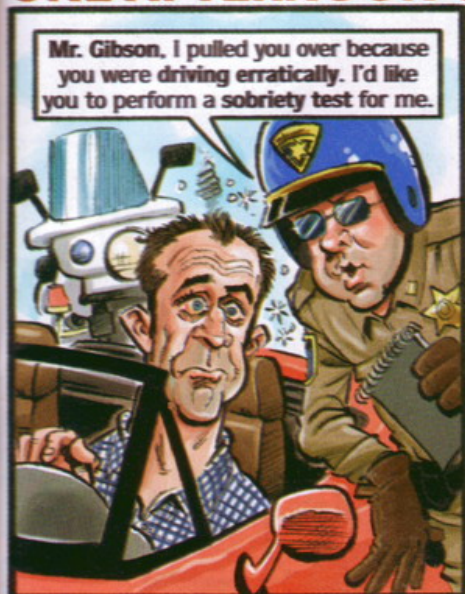
In closing, I hope I will be forgiven for my latest round of deplorable words and actions. I also hope that I will once again be known for having a nice butt, instead of being a big ass. But above all, I hope that this whole fiasco will be forgotten by the time *Apocalypto* comes out this fall.

Sincerely,

Mel Gibson

P.S. An Aramaic translation of this apology is now available online.

## ONE AFTERNOON ON PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY





# RED STATE MONOPOLY...





# ...BLUE STATE MONOPOLY

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ELEPHANT



RUSH LIMBAUGH



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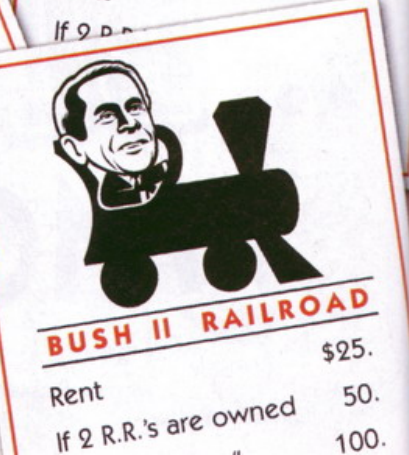
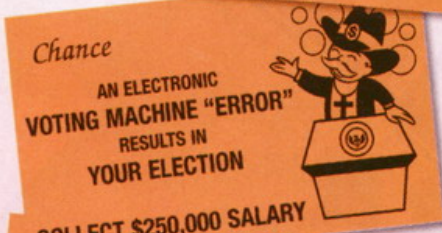


BIBLE



MOUNTED DEER'S HEAD

RED STATE MONOPOLY



GUN SHOPS



CHURCHES





CLINTON RAILROAD



JFK RAILROAD



DONKEY



JOINT



MONICA'S DRESS



BIRKENSTOCK



JOHN KERRY'S  
PURPLE HEART



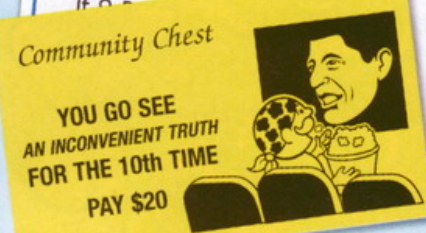
MICHAEL MOORE



FDR RAILROAD



GORE RAILROAD



ABORTION  
CLINICS



STEM CELL  
RESEARCH FACILITIES





Candy! Costumes! Parties! Halloween must be the greatest holiday of the year, right? Wrong! Halloween has a disguise all its own — underneath the mask of fun and frivolity, it's every bit as soul-crushing and annoying as Arbor Day! It's true! So don't fill up on candy — make sure you leave some room for...

# THE 18 WORST THINGS ABOUT

COMING ONLY ONE WEEK AFTER THE WORLD SERIES...

BART SIMPSON'S  
TREEHOUSE OF  
HORROR

**1** Because of the never-ending baseball playoffs, having to wait until November for *The Simpsons* Halloween episode.

**2**

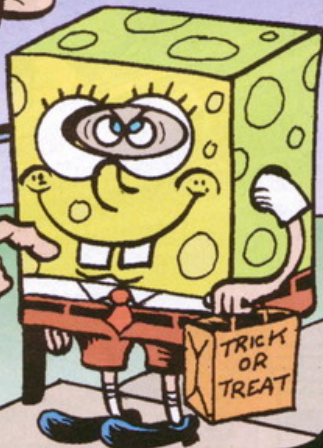
Morons who think they're the wittiest people who ever lived by noting that a vampire costume "sucks."



**3**

Unseasonable heat that turns your makeup into something much scarier than you planned.

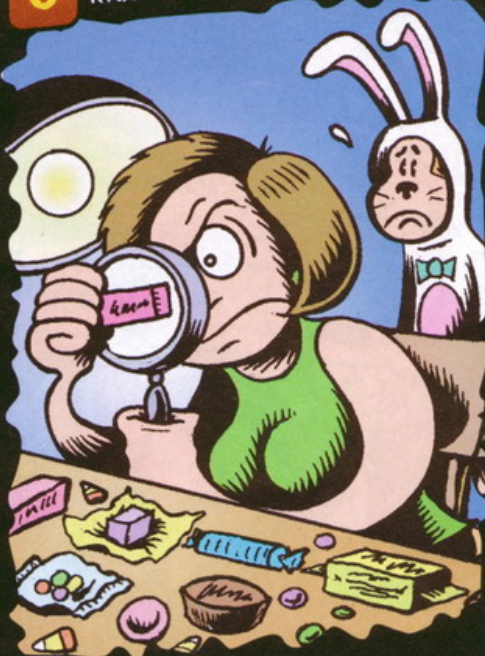
SO... YOU MUST BE... LITTLE YELLOW THING... THAT CARTOON GUY I'VE HEARD SO MUCH ABOUT!



**7** Out-of-touch adults who don't have a clue what character you're dressed as.

**8**

Overprotective parents who do everything short of an x-ray search before they'll let their kids so much as unwrap a candy.



TRICK OR TREAT!

KNOCK! KNOCK!

"DING DONG"



**9**

People who pretend to not be home, even though you know they are.



# HALLOWEEN

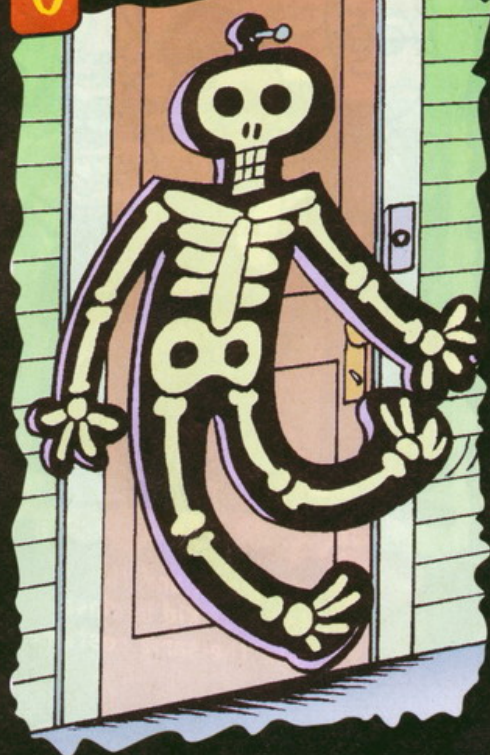
WRITER: JEFF KRUSE  
ARTIST: PETER BAGGE

**4** Having to share your candy with a younger sibling who didn't do any of the work.



**5** The fact that candy companies have the gall to create the phrase "Fun Size" when what they really mean is "Extremely Small Size."

**6** Glow-in-the-dark cardboard skeletons that don't even try to accurately recreate the ulna.

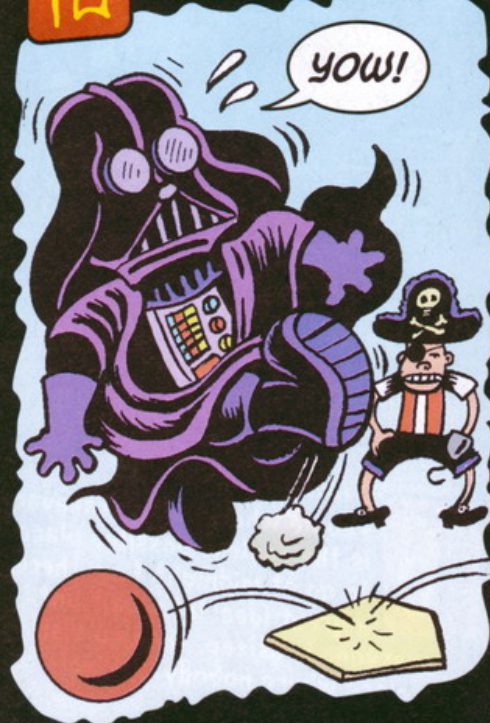


**10** Finding an empty candy bowl on a porch, because the owners counted on the honor system and you got there second.



**11** The humiliating — not to mention idiotic — party tradition of bobbing for apples. Just what we want to do — dip our faces in a simmering broth of other kids' sweat, drool and pinkeye bacterial!

**12** Trying to play kickball at recess in a bulky costume.



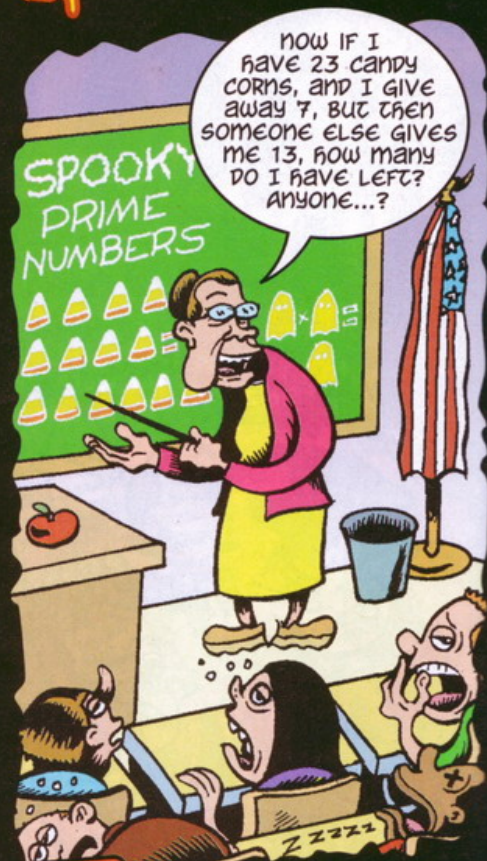
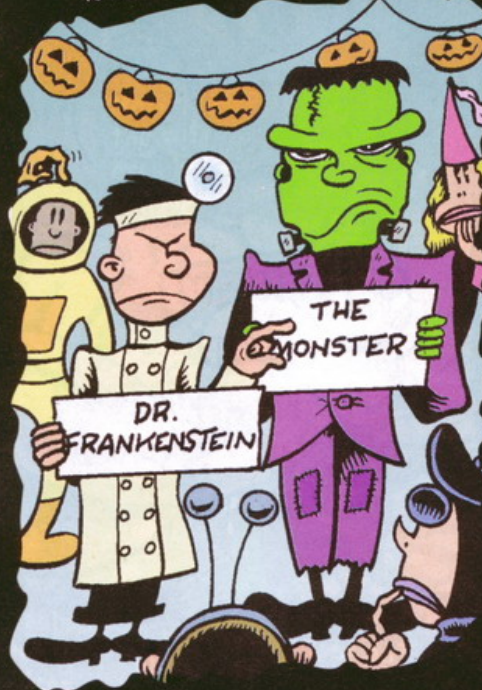


# THE 18 WORST THINGS ABOUT HALLOWEEN



**13** When you and the dorkiest kid in class have the same costume.

**14** People who refer to Frankenstein's Monster as "Frankenstein." Frankenstein is the doctor, nimrods. The monster is the monster. Got that?



**15** Teachers who work in a Halloween theme, but not something fun, like a party.



**16** People who think a graveyard is the coolest possible place to go at midnight. Hey, there's a great idea: let's wait until everyone is asleep, then go visit a place where nobody is alive!

**17** Condescending "Halloween Safety Tips" that insult the intelligence of anyone with more than two brain cells.



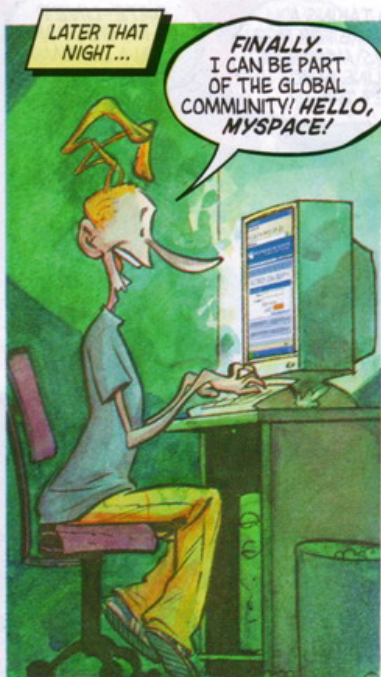
**18** Having to hear the song "Monster Mash" everywhere you go.



Someone's got to want to be this guy's friend. It's...

# MONROE

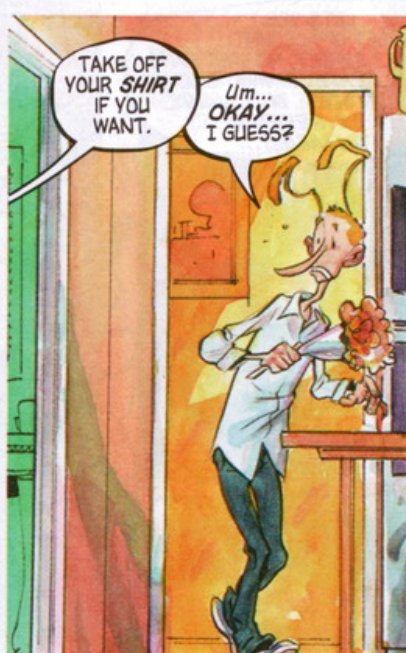
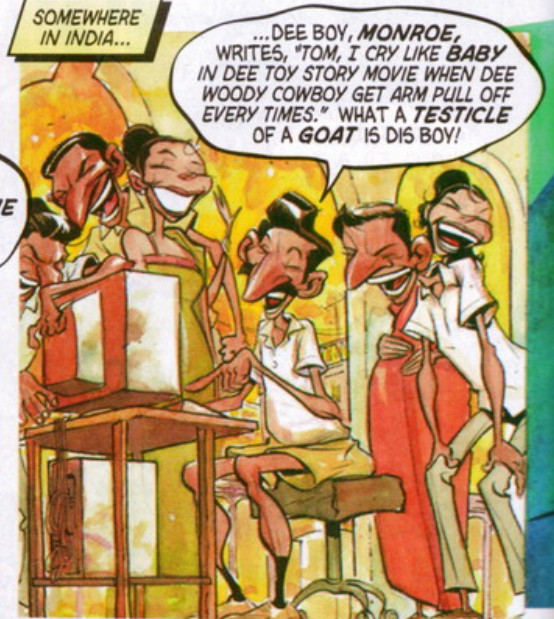
and... MySpace



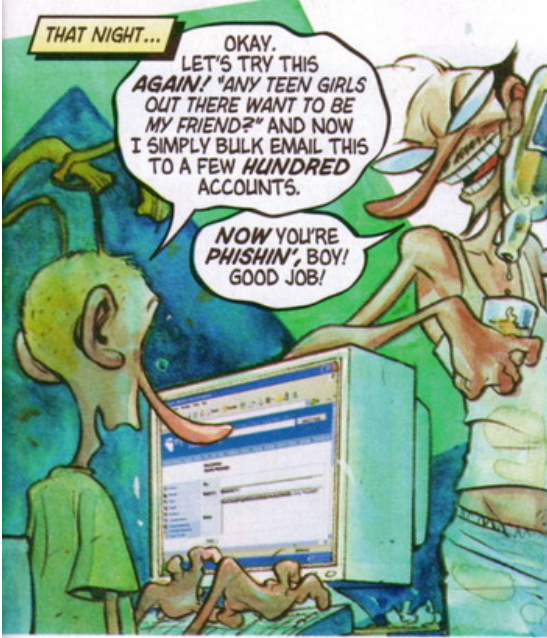
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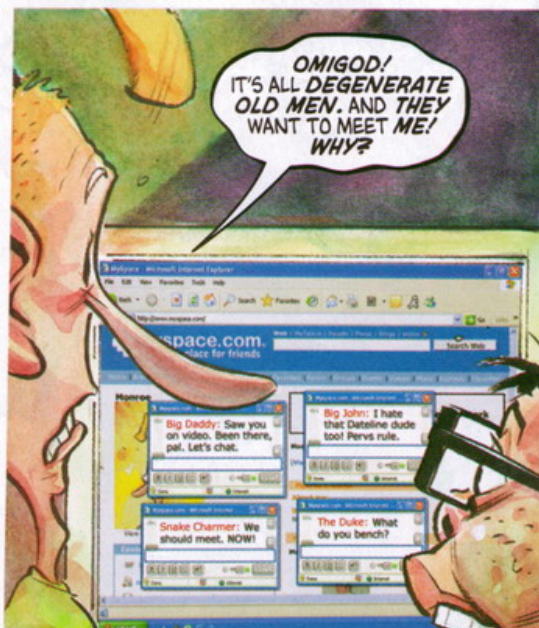
















SERGE-IN GENERAL DEPT.

SERGIO ARAGONES  
PRESENTS

# A MAD LOOK AT PIRATES

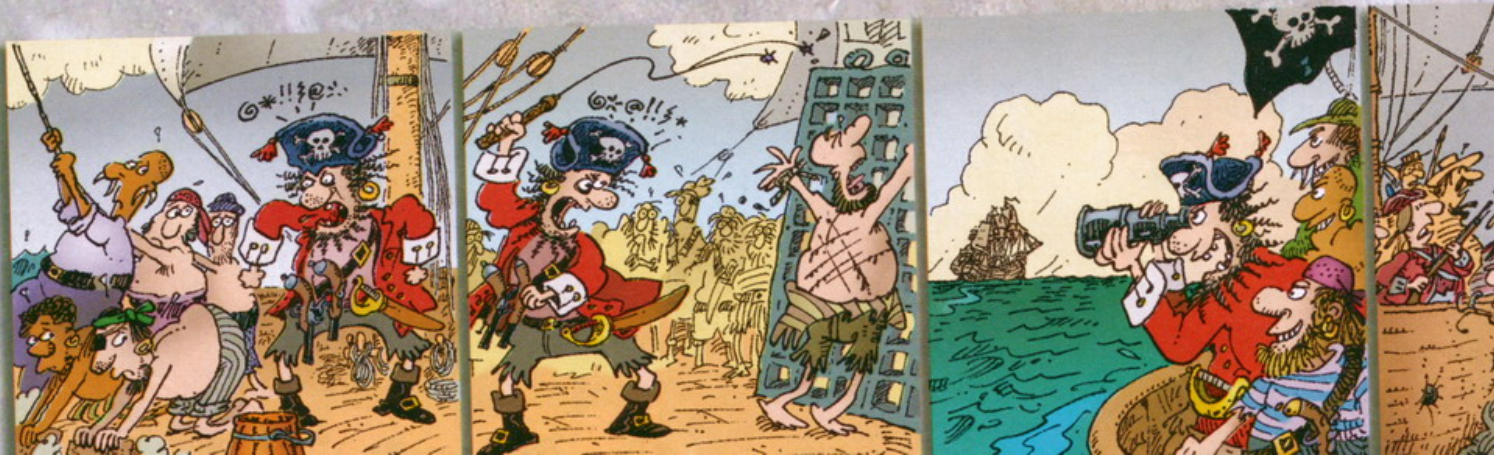
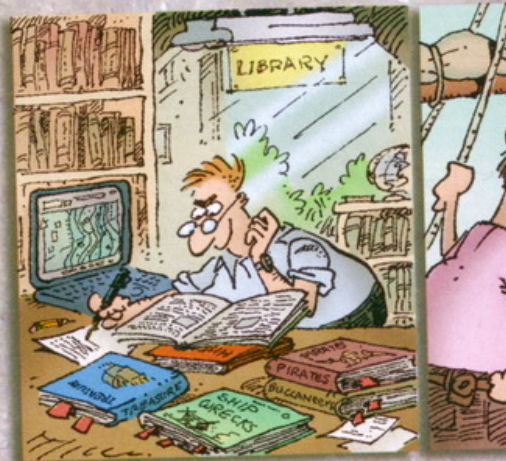
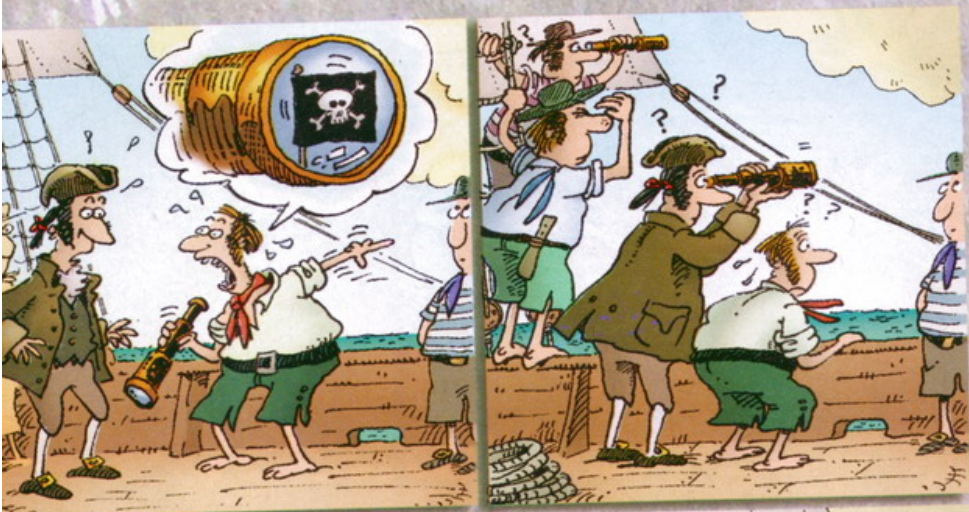


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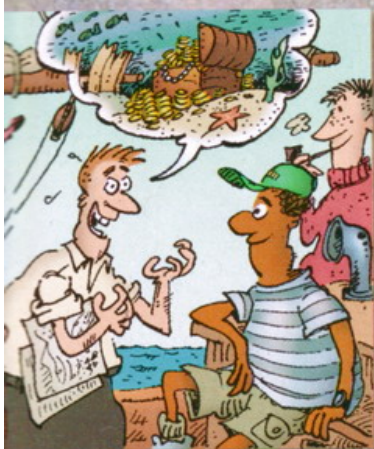
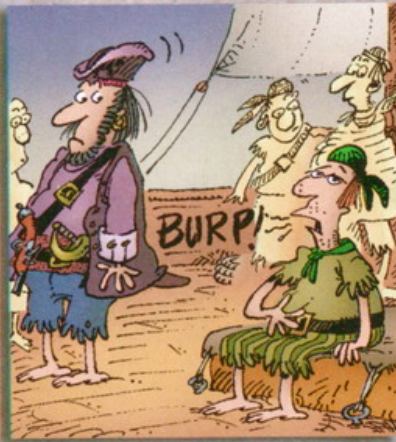
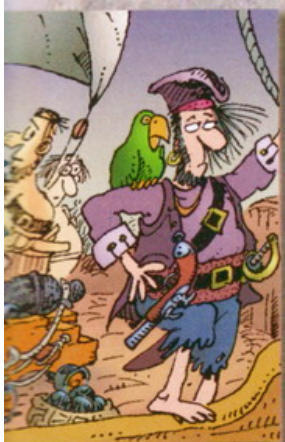
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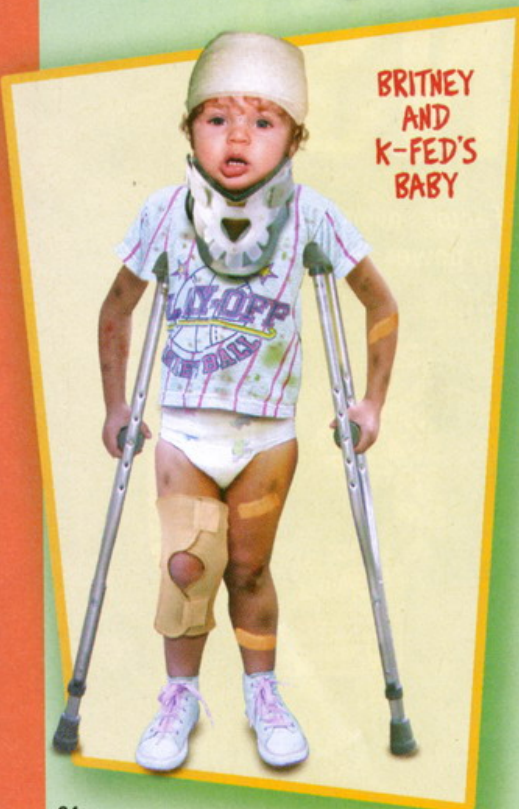
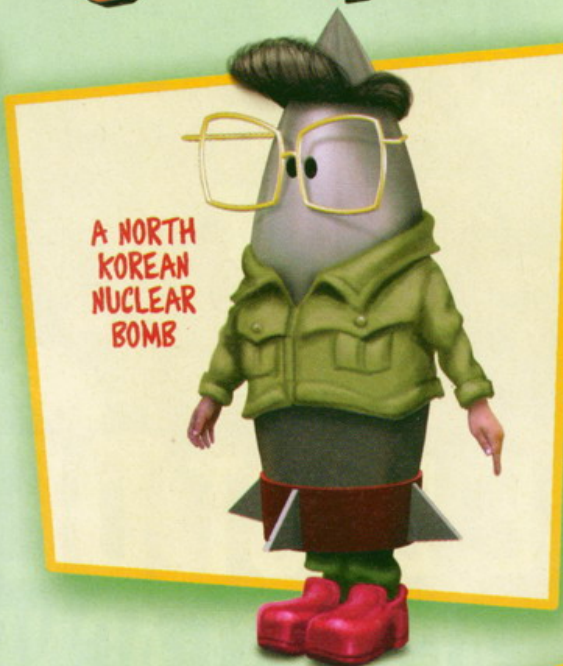


Artemis



It's Halloween again and that means it's time to make that all-important decision — which costume to spend fifty dollars on and wear only once! Will it be the classic vampire, a cow with a hilariously exposed udder, or will you just go without a mask and be the scariest one at the party anyway? To make it easier for you, MAD has dug up...

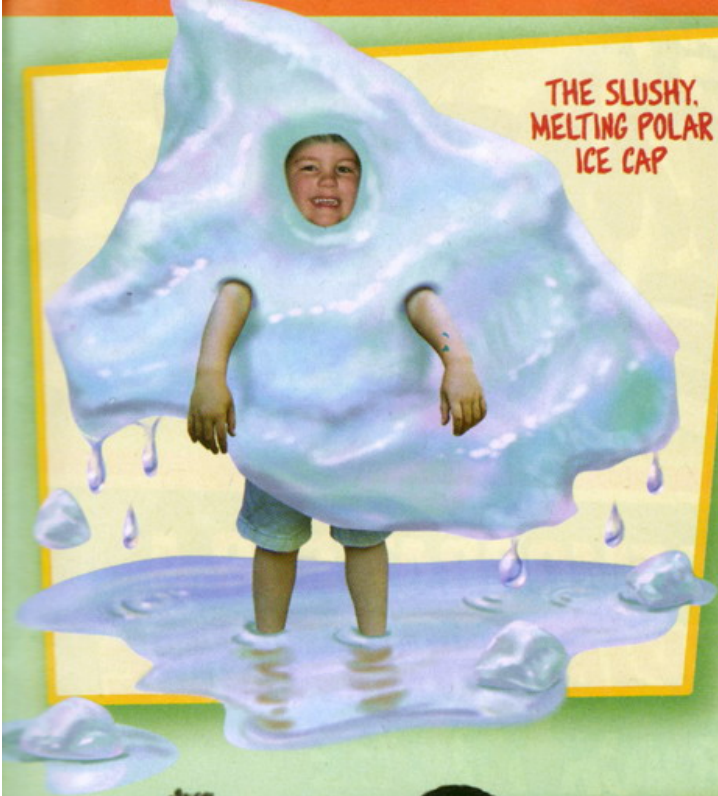
# 2006's HOTTEST HALLOWEEN COSTUMES



ARTIST: SCOTT BRICHER



THE SLUSHY,  
MELTING POLAR  
ICE CAP



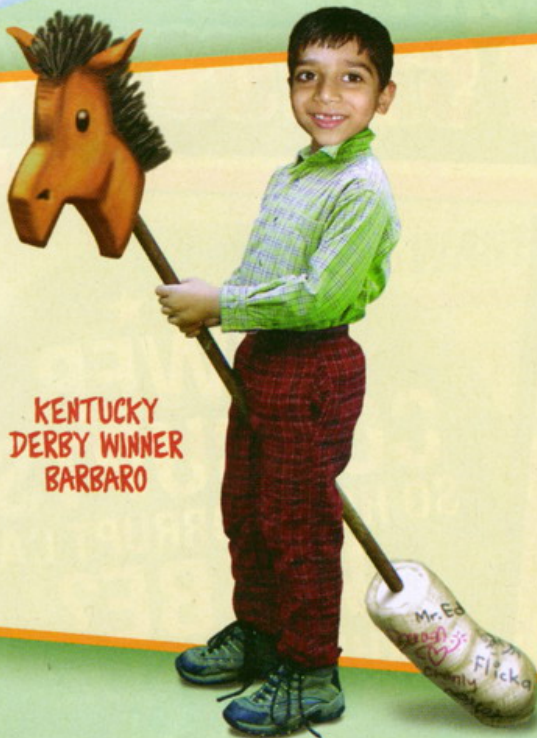
THE DEVIL  
WEARING  
PRADA



A CLUMP OF  
TAYLOR HICKS'  
HAIR FROM HIS  
BATHROOM  
DRAIN



KENTUCKY  
DERBY WINNER  
BARBARO



JACK  
ABRAMOFF'S  
BAG OF  
CONGRESSIONAL  
BRIBE MONEY



NAOMI  
CAMPBELL'S  
MAID







We at MAD generally find politicians to be oversized wieners. And, just like oversized wieners, politicians must be carefully packaged — including a catchy slogan! After all, it's much easier to come up with a stupid campaign slogan than an actual platform! But we'd like some truthful and upfront catchphrases for a change. Kind of like these...

# HONEST CAMPAIGN WE'D LIKE

THE NEW  
DEMOCRATIC  
PARTY!  
**NOW**  
LIEBERMAN-  
FREE!

VOTE DEMOCRAT FOR A  
**SWEEPING CHANGE**  
BACK TO THE  
**FORMER STATUS QUO!**

DEMOCRATS—  
THE BEST PARTY  
FOR AMERICA,  
★ IF ONLY ★  
BY DEFAULT!

★★★  
POWER  
CORRUPTS,  
SO HOW CORRUPT CAN  
WE BE?  
THIS YEAR, VOTE  
DEMOCRAT!  
★★★

3 OUT OF 4  
BALDWIN  
BROTHERS  
CAN'T BE WRONG!



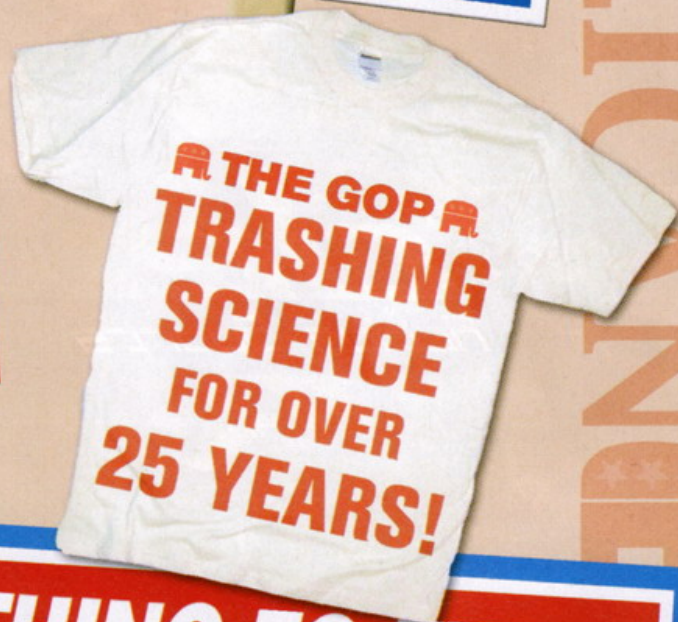
DEMOCRATS  
IN '06

**VOTE  
DEMOCRAT!**  
*Because...uhhh...well,  
you know. Just vote  
for us.*





# SLOGANS TO HEAR

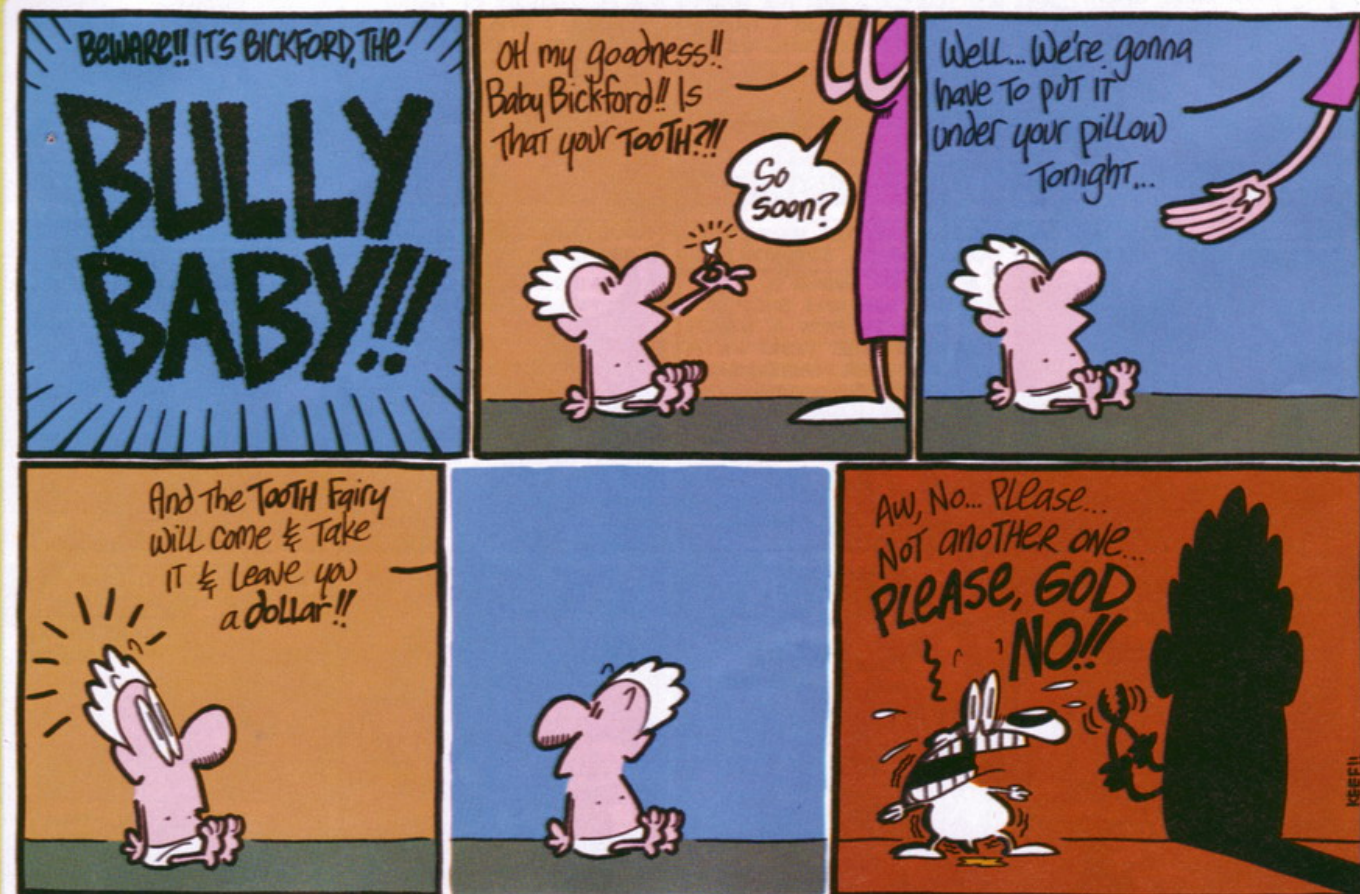


WRITER: JEFF KRUSE





# THE STRIP CLUB



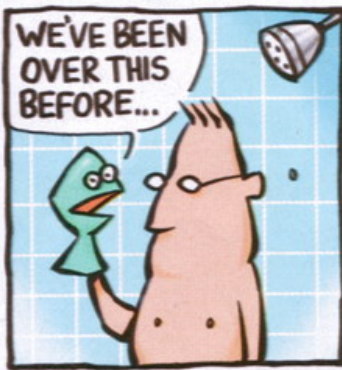
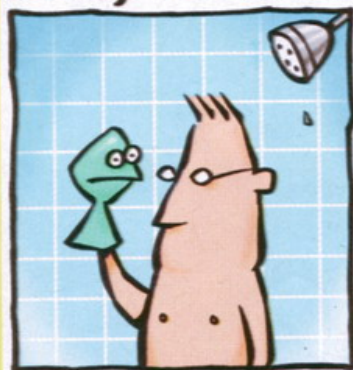
JOE SAYERS

KEITH KNIGHT



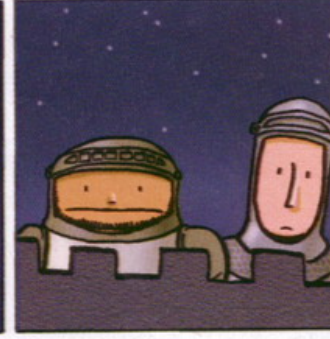
## ME, MYSELF AND MY PUPPET

IN THE SHOWER



JOHN KOVALESKI

IT'S A HARD DAY'S KNIGHT



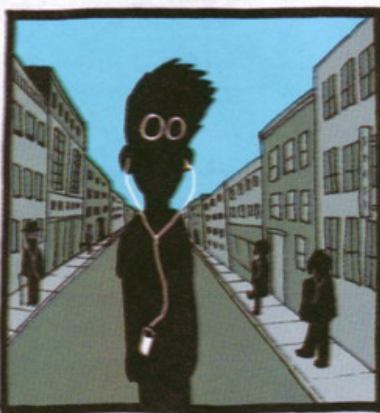
CHRISTOPHER BALDWIN





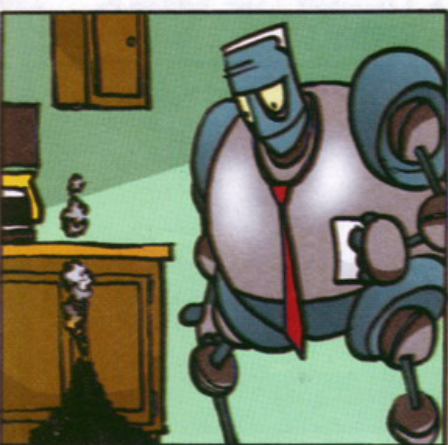
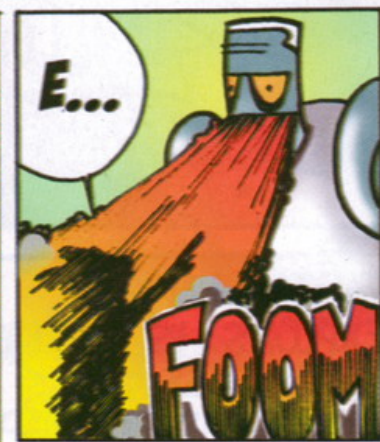
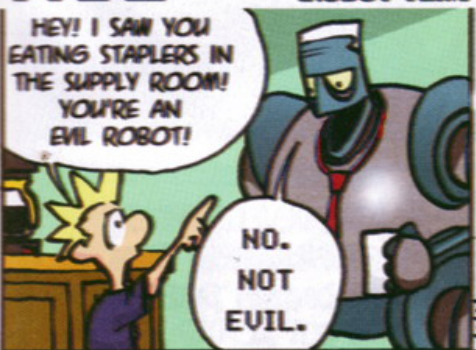
# -REX IN THE CITY:

# iPod PEOPLE



DUSTIN GLICK

## ROB THE EVIL, BACKSTABBING, ROBOT TEMP



COREY RANDOLPH



NO ACHILLES' HEELS.  
NO TRULY CHALLENGING  
VILLAINS. MEET THE ONLY  
INEXTIRPABLE SUPERHERO:

# FANTABULAMAN

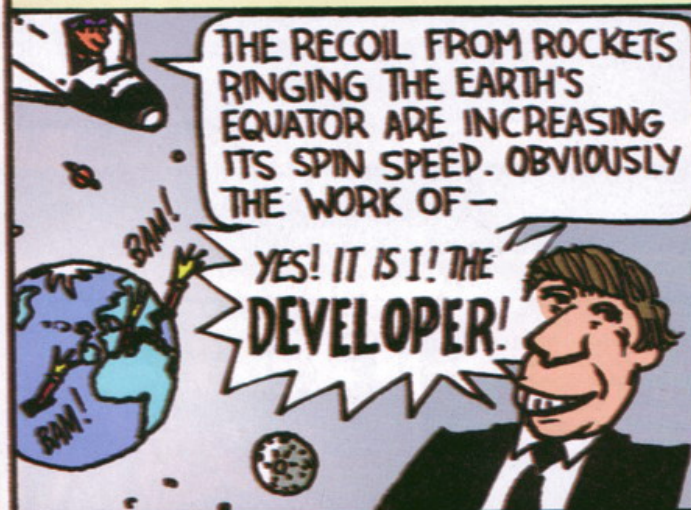
DRAMA  
BORES ME.



FANTABULAMAN NOTICES A  
DISTURBING OCCURRENCE.



A JAUNT IN THE FANTABULA-  
SHUTTLE UNMASKS THE CULPRIT.



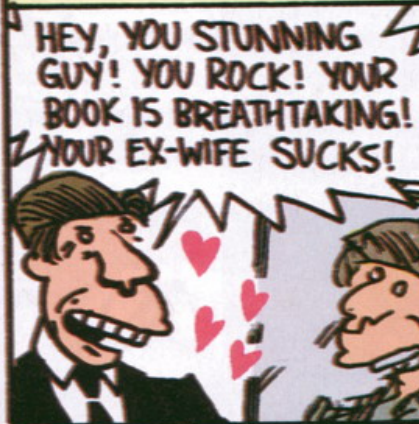
AS THE EARTH SPINS IT GETS  
**BIGGER**—AND SO DO MY **REAL  
ESTATE HOLDINGS**. IT'S A  
MAGNIFICENT SCHEME FOR AN  
EXTRAORDINARY HOMBRE: ME,  
THE DEVELOPER!



FANTABULAMAN  
EXPLOITS HIS INFINITE  
KNOWLEDGE OF  
PSYCHOLOGY TO STOP  
THE DEVELOPER.



MONTHS PASS AS  
THE NARCISSISTIC  
DEVELOPER IGNORES  
HIS UNPAID BILLS...



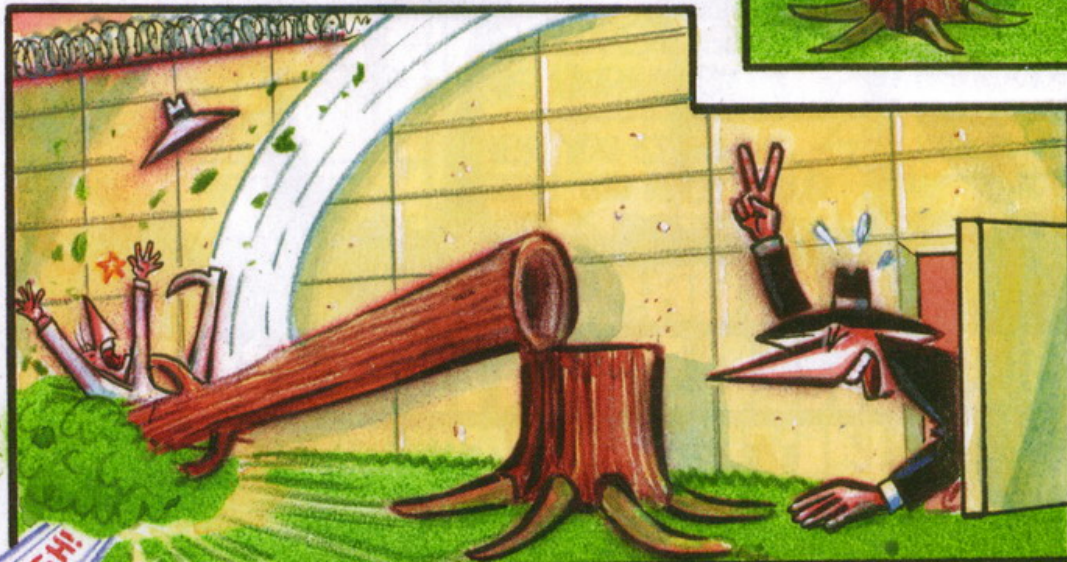
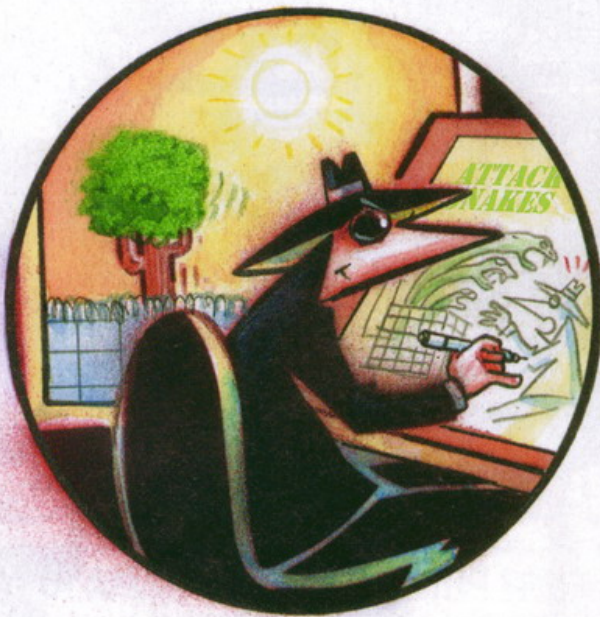
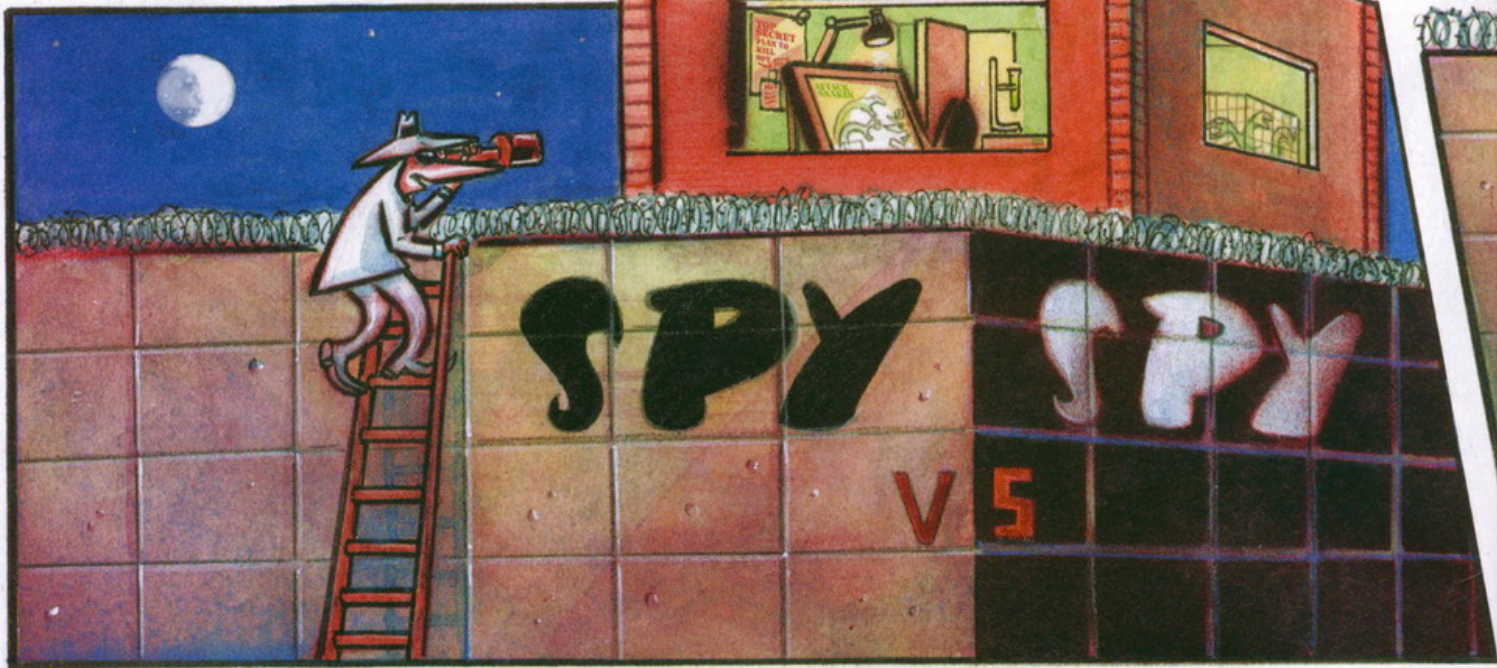
FINALLY

THE DEVELOPER IS  
BROKE! THE GOVERNMENT TOOK ALL  
HIS LAND FOR UNPAID TAXES AND  
HIS ROCKETS GOT REPOED BY THE  
FINANCE COMPANY. THE EARTH IS  
BACK TO NORMAL!

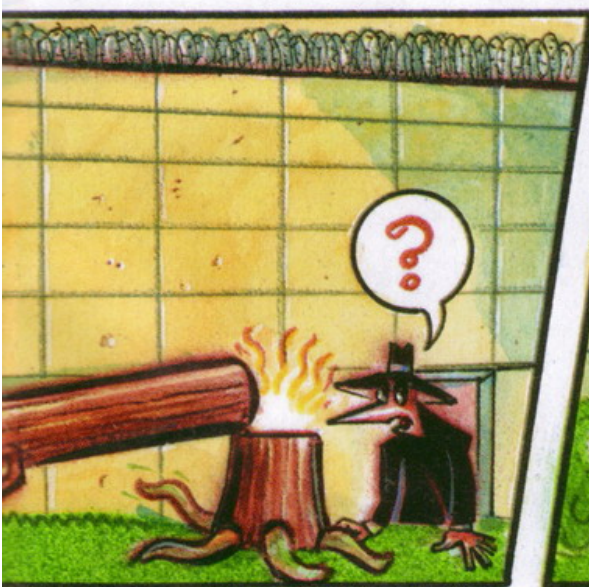
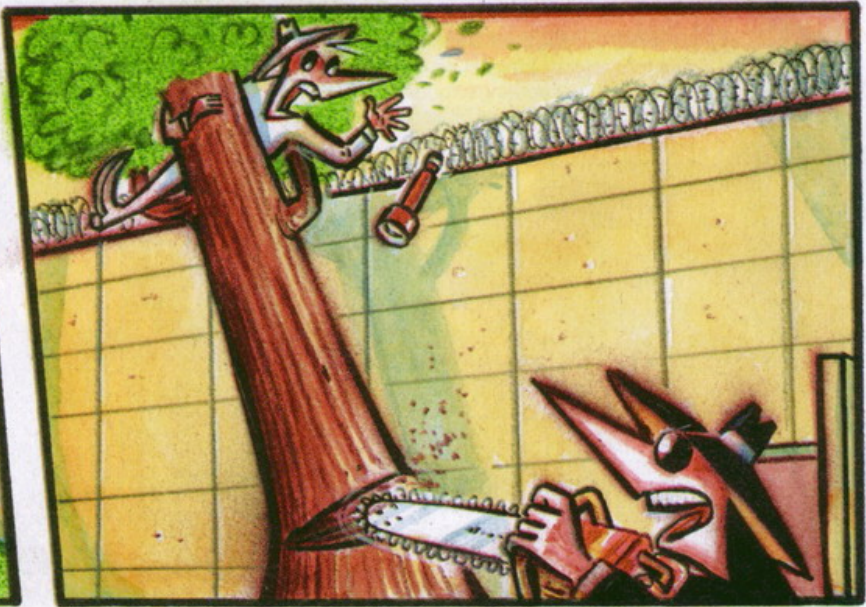
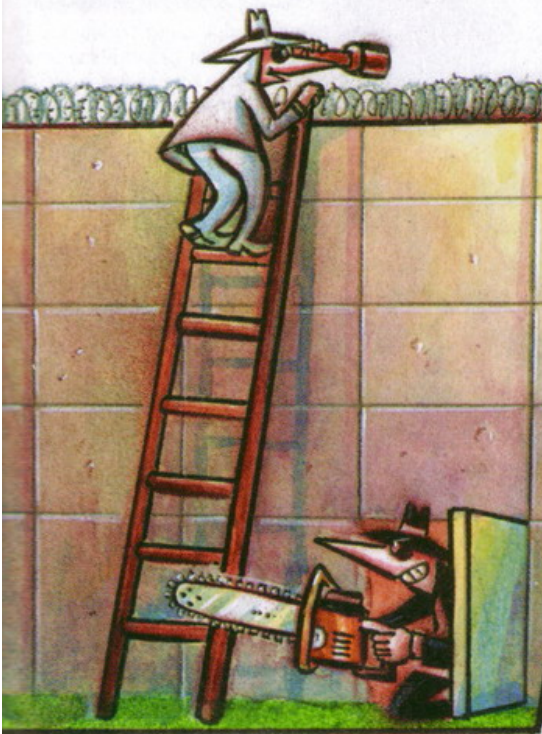


NEXT: FISCAL FIASCO!









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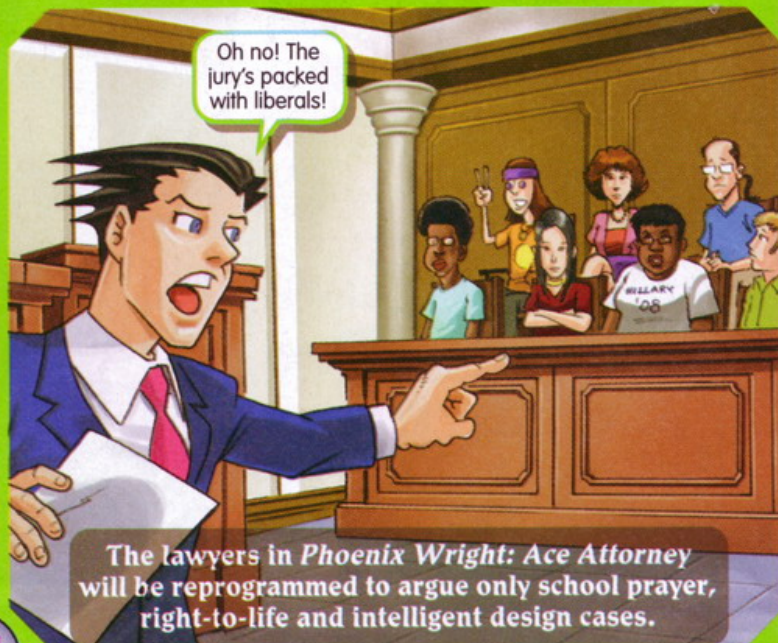
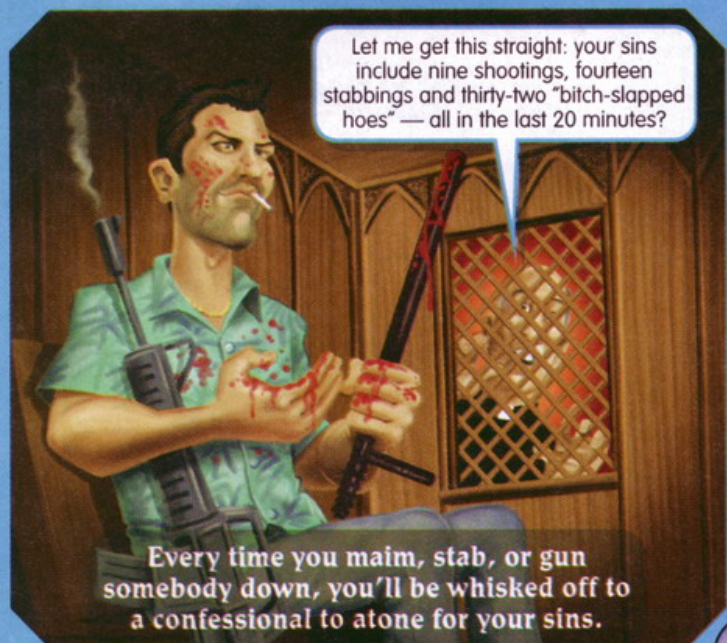
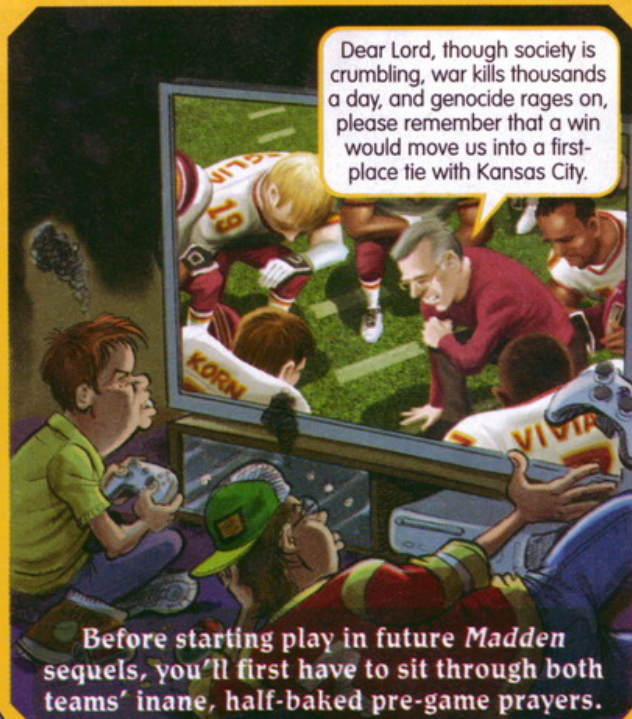


With holier-than-thou nimrod Senators like Rick Santorum and Joe Lieberman in power, the separation between church and state has never been more fragile. But with the upcoming release of a PC game based on the *Left Behind* books, gamers everywhere must recognize that a much more important barrier — that between church and game — is about to be breached like a cardboard levee! And here's what you can expect...

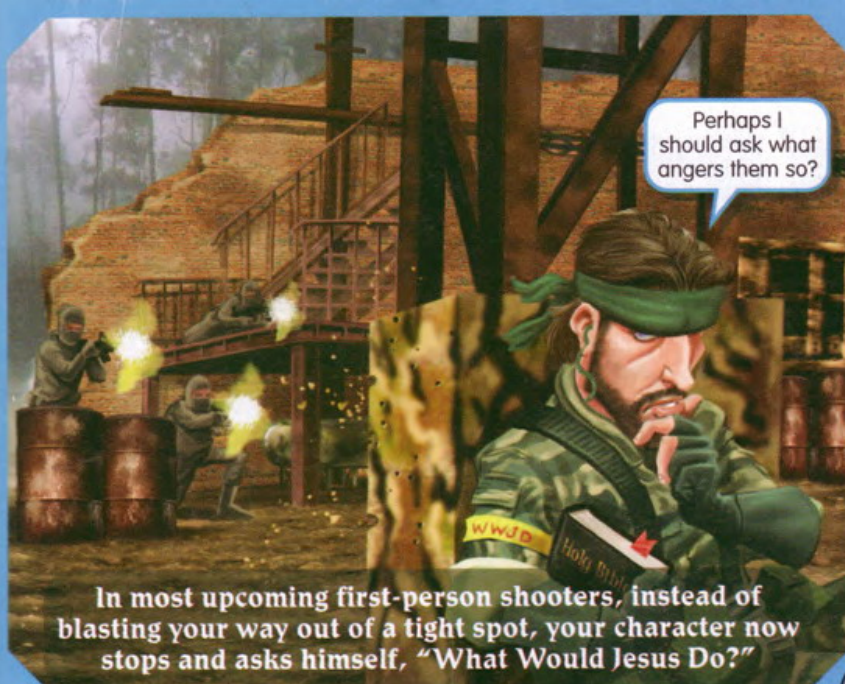
# WHEN VIDEO GAMES BECOME RELIGIOUS

WRITER: JACOB LAMBERT

ARTIST: TOM RICHMOND







In most upcoming first-person shooters, instead of blasting your way out of a tight spot, your character now stops and asks himself, "What Would Jesus Do?"



The never-ending *Pokémon* series will use the country's religious divisions to exploit niche markets even further.

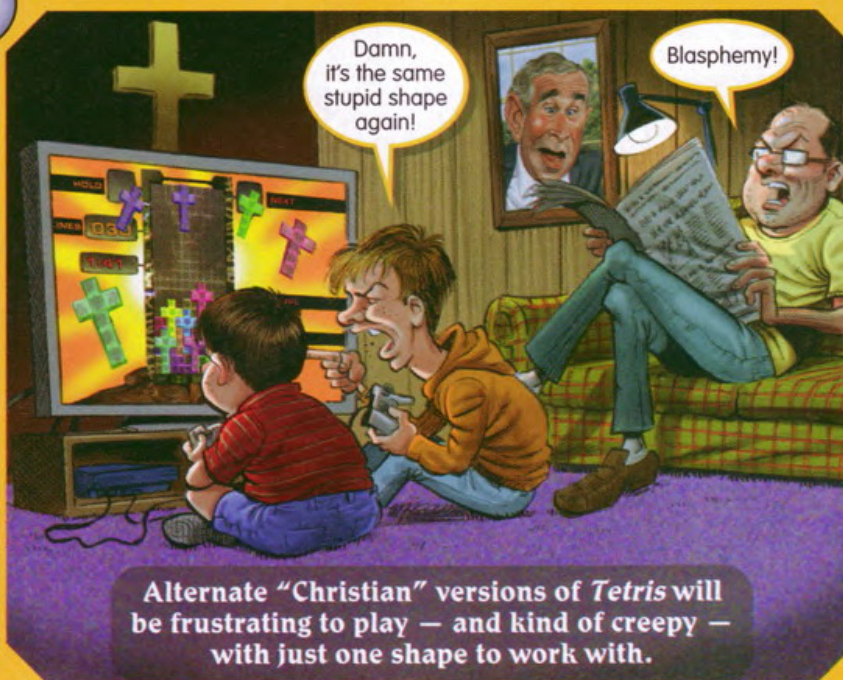


In the sequels to *Saint's Row* and *Contents Under Pressure*, you can't write graffiti unless you're defacing "anti-Christian" ads, posters and billboards.



Good morning, I was just wondering — have you accepted Jesus as your one Lord and Savior?

The environments in the excruciating new *Sims 3* will be limited to tent revivals, anti-abortion rallies and door-to-door pamphleteering.



Alternate "Christian" versions of *Tetris* will be frustrating to play — and kind of creepy — with just one shape to work with.

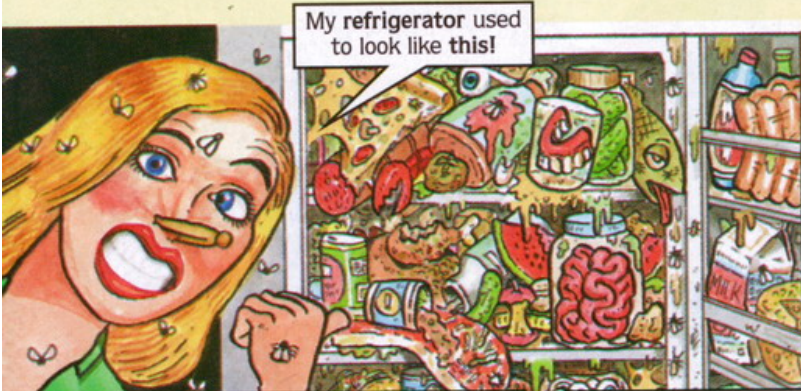




AN EMBARRASSMENT  
OF RICHARD'S DEPT.

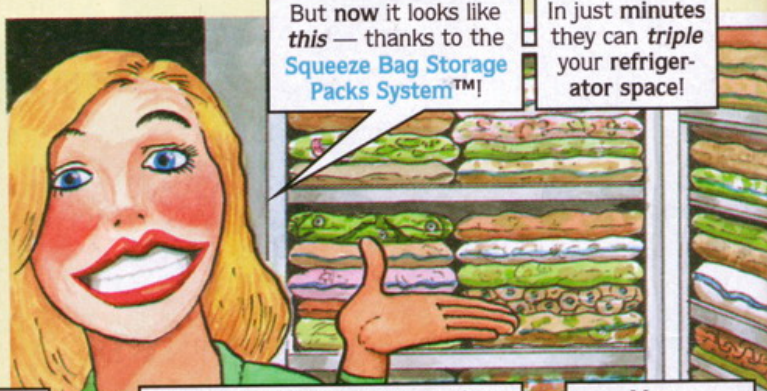
# A T.V. Commercial We'd Like to See

My refrigerator used to look like this!



But now it looks like *this* — thanks to the **Squeeze Bag Storage Packs System™**!

In just minutes they can *triple* your refrigerator space!



Here's how it works: I simply place this big, seven-layer cake in a **Squeeze Bag™**...



...I suck out the air with any vacuum cleaner hose...



...and here's that *same* seven-layer cake after I sucked out the air! It's flatter than a cookie, but all the flavor is still locked in!



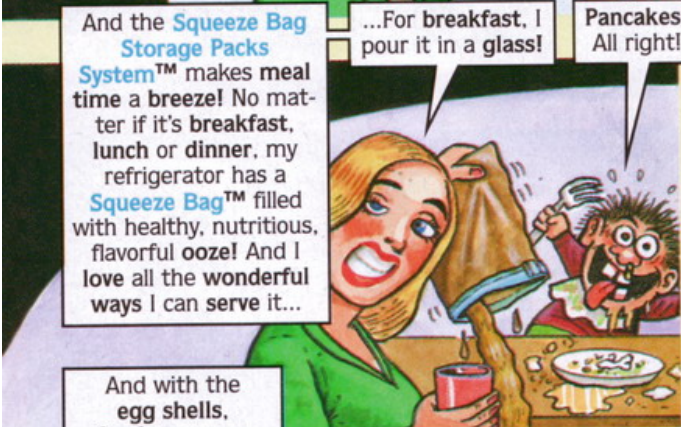
Mmm, chocolate cake! Looks delicious, Mommy!

Three dozen eggs taking up all your refrigerator shelf space? Not when you have **Squeeze Bag Storage Packs™**!



And the **Squeeze Bag Storage Packs System™** makes meal time a breeze! No matter if it's breakfast, lunch or dinner, my refrigerator has a **Squeeze Bag™** filled with healthy, nutritious, flavorful ooze! And I love all the wonderful ways I can serve it...

...For breakfast, I pour it in a glass!



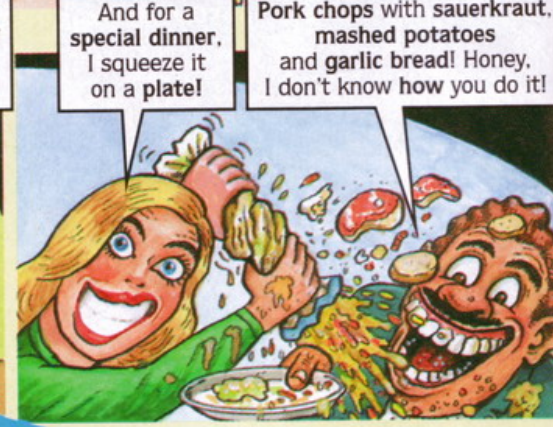
Pancakes! All right!

...For lunch, I ladle it into a bowl!



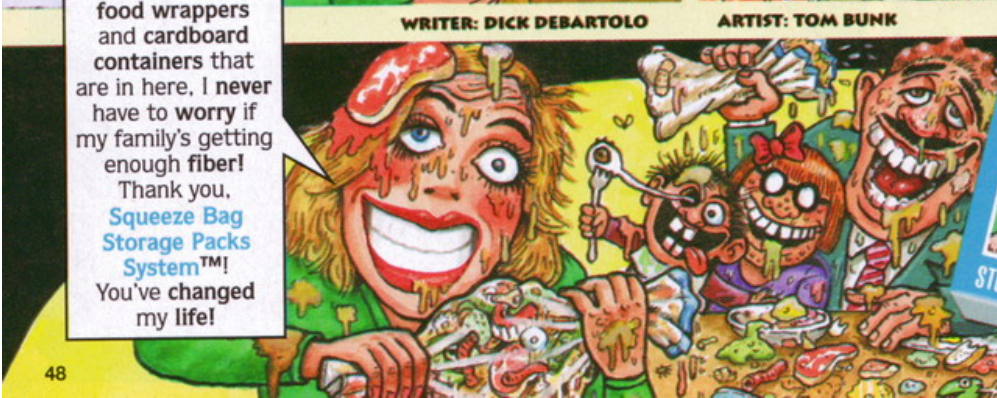
Lasagna! My favorite! You're the best, Mom!

And for a special dinner, I squeeze it on a plate!



Pork chops with sauerkraut, mashed potatoes and garlic bread! Honey, I don't know how you do it!

And with the egg shells, food wrappers and cardboard containers that are in here, I never have to worry if my family's getting enough fiber! Thank you, **Squeeze Bag Storage Packs System™**! You've changed my life!



WRITER: DICK DEBARTOLO

ARTIST: TOM BUNK



You can get an entire set of seven **SQUEEZE BAG STORAGE PACKS™** (a \$47 value) for only \$47! Call 1-800-SQUEEZE — and be sure to leave off the last "E" to avoid dialing a wrong number!



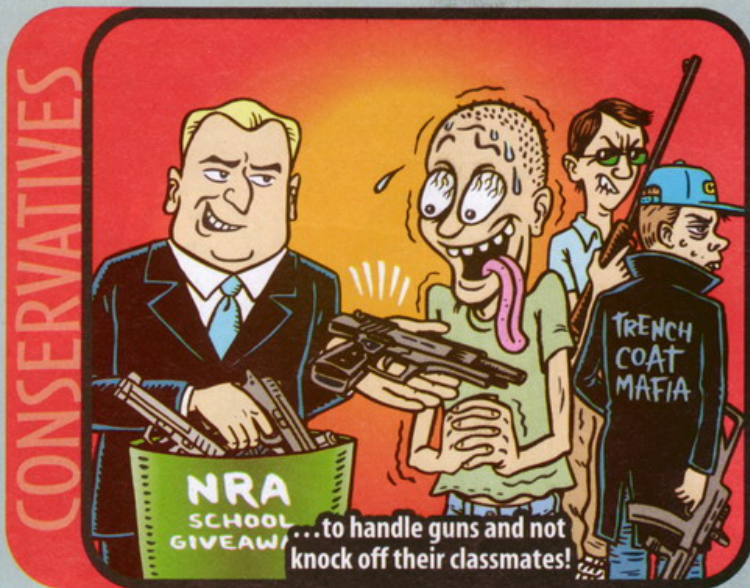


We live in a divided nation. From drilling in Alaska to fighting in Iraq, Liberals and Conservatives can't agree on anything (except that Joey will be missed by no one). Finding that sliver of common ground can be difficult, which is why MAD presents...

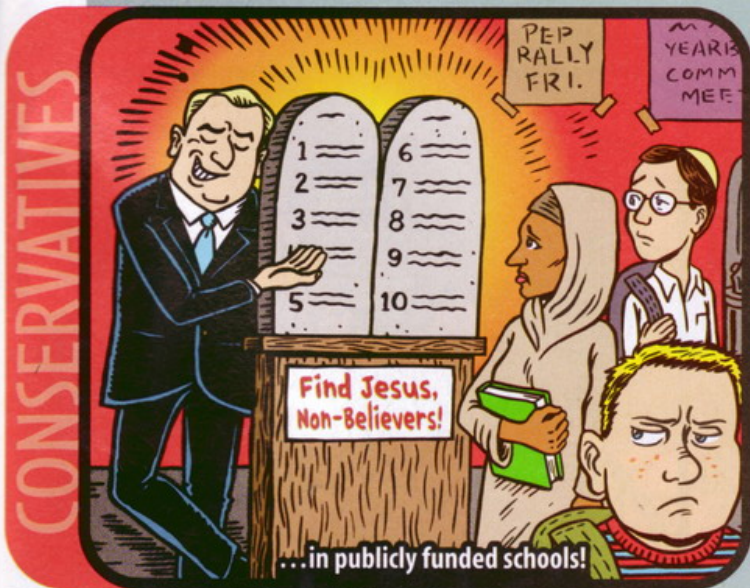
# LIBERALS and CONSERVATIVES

## Agree...and Disagree

**BOTH AGREE:** In a free society, teenagers can be trusted...



**BOTH AGREE:** It's perfectly all right to post the Ten Commandments...

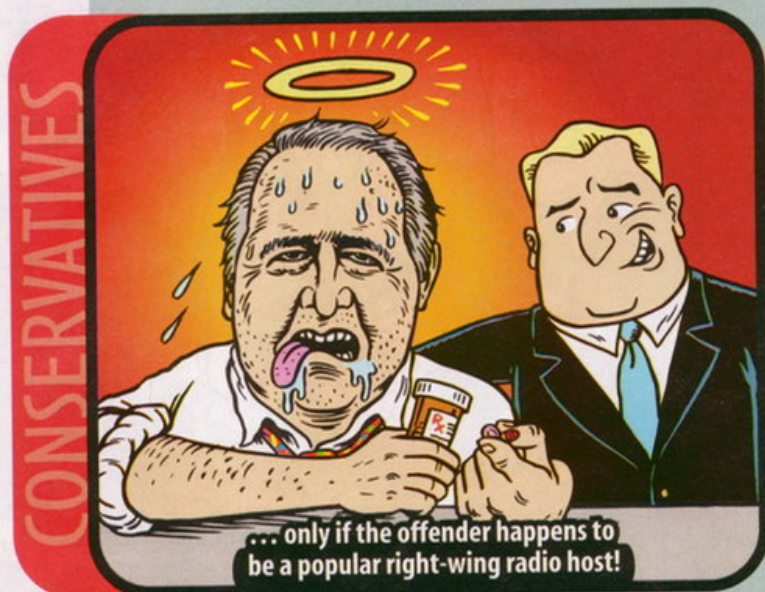




**BOTH AGREE:** Sexual harassment creates a hostile environment in the military...



**BOTH AGREE:** Drug offenders should be forgiven and their crimes should be considered nothing worse than a misdemeanor...



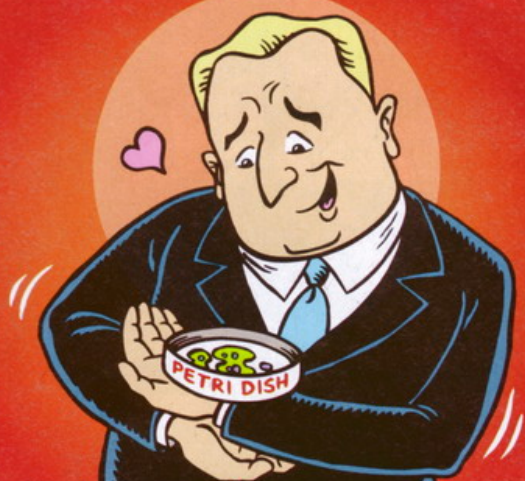
**BOTH AGREE:** Even though it might seem unfair, preferential treatment should be given to...





**BOTH AGREE:** It's important to believe in the sanctity of life for...

CONSERVATIVES



...fetuses, embryos, and stem cells.

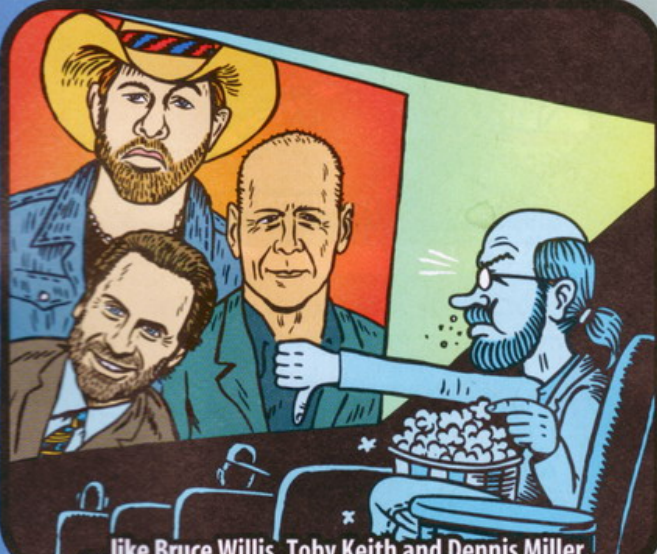
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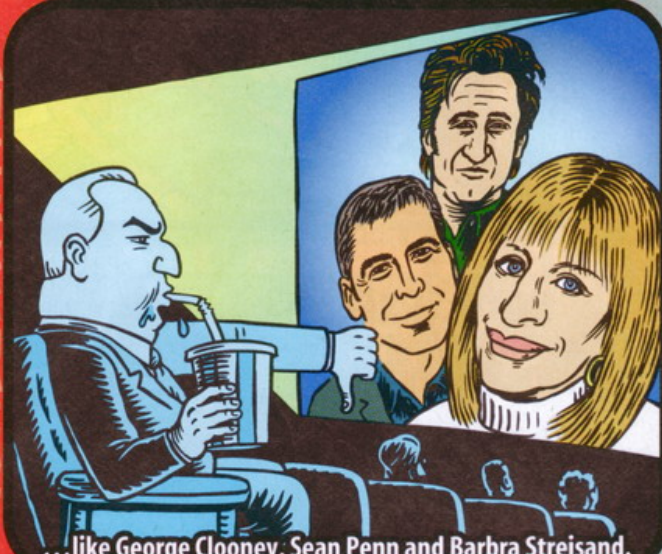
**BOTH AGREE:** Most show biz types don't have the necessary experience to get involved with politics...

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...like Bruce Willis, Toby Keith and Dennis Miller.

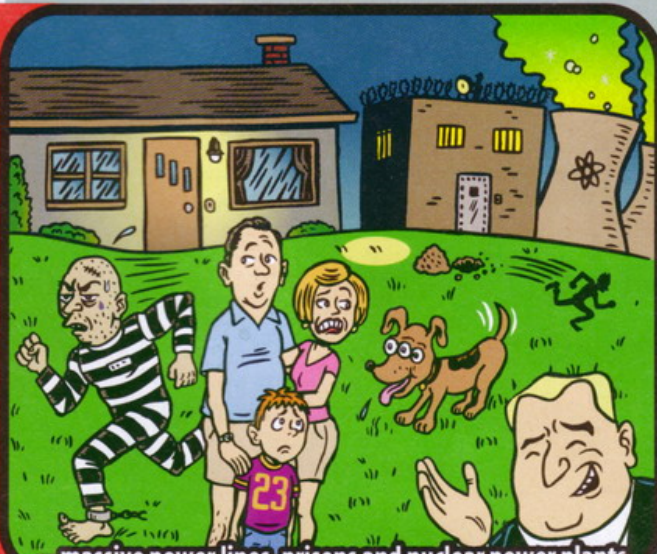
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...like George Clooney, Sean Penn and Barbra Streisand.

**BOTH AGREE:** People should show some community spirit by accepting in their neighborhoods...

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...massive power lines, prisons and nuclear power plants.

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...drug rehab centers and homeless shelters.



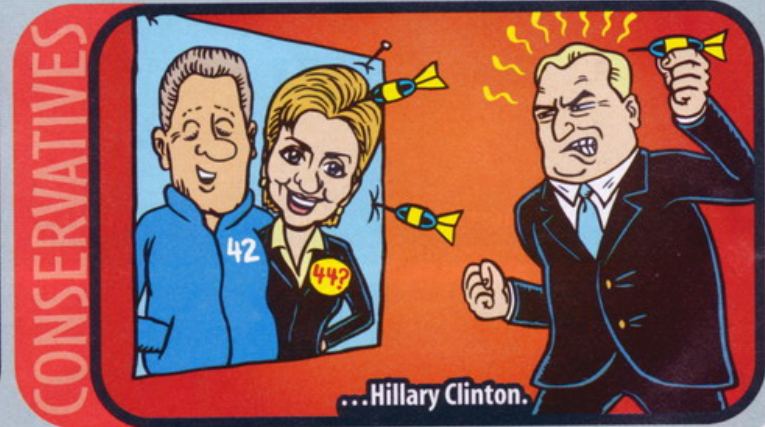
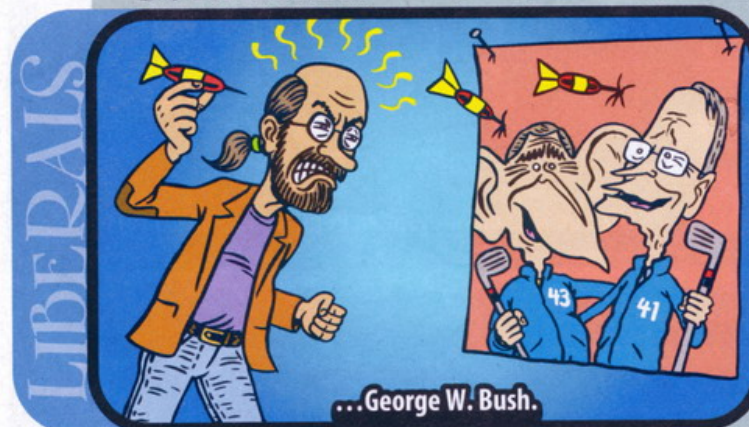
**BOTH AGREE:** The leaking of classified material should be punishable by law, unless it's done by...



**BOTH AGREE:** Illness can be cured with methods outside of traditional medicine, like...



**BOTH AGREE:** It's disgusting that some people get ahead in politics solely on the family name, like...



**BOTH AGREE:** Illegal immigrants should be given amnesty...





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FIGURES ARE  
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THIS YEAR?**

# HERE WE GO WITH ANOTHER RIDICULOUS MAD FOLD-IN

It's hard to make it big in Hollywood, but in most areas, business is booming. Budgets, salaries and ticket sales are all up. In one disturbing spot, however, the numbers keep dropping lower and lower. To find out where the numbers are spiraling out of control, fold page in as shown.



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