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*"Every day above ground is a good day"*

## PRESIDENT CLINTON ORDERS NATO BOMBING OF CostCo

*by staff reporter: Clifford Notes*

Washington DC - In a puzzling move last month President Clinton ordered a full scale NATO air campaign against shoppers in CostCo (also commonly known as the Price Club or Price CostCo). Strategies, tactics and reasons for the strike are unclear at this time although it is widely suspected that President Clinton has a new mistress and wants to insure that absolutely no one finds out. Supporting this theory is the fact that the President has also sent his wife overseas on an extended trip with no scheduled return date. Chelsea's whereabouts are unknown although she was last seen with a former DOE official by the name of Joe Romm.

The official explanation of the CostCo bombings details a conflict between people purchasing oversized cartons of All Bran breakfast cereal and those purchasing massive containers of herbs and spices. Even though there are savings to go around the Herbians have apparently taken umbrage at the All-Branians - probably for blocking the aisle or letting their kids run free to make noise while us reasonable people are simply trying to shop in peace. The resulting conflict led to the All-Branians being forced to leave CostCo.

President Clinton has vowed to continue the air strikes until the general manager of CostCo, the slob Dan

Milksandwich, allows the All-Branians to stay and shop. Mr. Clinton has promised not to use US ground troops in this campaign expressing reservations concerning the viability of a fighting force when faced with such massive and overwhelming savings. Pundits have openly questioned this laughable policy as having hamstrung the options for military planners, spenders and spavers. There is also concern regard the lack of a credible exit strategy.

"The capability to get past the CostCo border guards will be difficult to implement without months, perhaps years of preparation" said one US Army general who wished not to be identified. "CostCo has guards constantly patrolling the borders and checking official papers to make sure no one leaves the territory with any form of property not expressly approved by the ruling junta. In a further display of contempt intended to humiliate the populace, border guards frequently deface these official transit papers when they are presented."

Sea power was also ruled out as a viable option when two destroyer groups ran aground before realizing that CostCo was pretty much land-locked. Thus the NATO alliance is determined to win this campaign through

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"Deep Scarf", a close advisor, presumed concubine, and informant on the slob Dan Milksandwich.



## Letters to Resident

Dear Sir,

It has recently come to our attention that your esteemed publication might be for sale. As the NFL seems to be jerking us around on this Redskin deal, and we have this \$800 million just lying around, we were wondering if a deal could be struck. After a brief analysis of your bottom line (subscription price=\$18, subscription cost=\$17.99), we believe that there is a lot more profits to gained in a Depravda venture. (Volume, volume, volume.) Sincerely,  
Milstein Snyder Milstein

Dear Eddy-tor,

Are you The Man or "da man"?  
- A fan in Belgrade

Dear Mr. Ed-itor,

For years we've had to put up with the juvenile, tasteless and borderline morally reprehensible cartoons of staff 'toonier Peytoon Coyner. Why can't Depravda hire someone like the witty, erudite and mucho cuter Jean Sorensen? She has been published in Funny Times and the Saturday Evening Post and her work has been posted on the Joke's On You web site. No, she doesn't use rubber stamps to make her point but who sez the Depravda cartoonist HAS to use rubber stamps and magazine/comix cut outs? I say: Out with the old and in with the new fresh blood. Besides, Jean would look better in your annual Cartoonist Wet t-shirt contest.  
-- Zippy The Pinehead -- Afton, Va.

Dear Editor,

You must immediately make copies of and forward this letter to a dozen people you know or something bad will happen. One man failed to forward the letter and his wife came home as usual. Another man failed to forward the letter and he got selected to be the MC at the Flushie Awards. Jennifer Hart forwarded the letter and she won \$2 million the very next day.

Dear Editor,

Last week I wanted to complain and...huh? Oh, uh, sure. I can still hold...

## New Tournament Format for Loser of the Year!

by: Dave Zarrow

Laurel, Md. - Elden Carnahan, esteemed (or is that simply 'steamed'?) leader of the of NRARS has succumbed to building pressure over the years to institute a tournament format for choosing the Loser of the Year. Inspired by the structure of the NCAA basketball tournament, the Loser tournament will take place at the end of each year when Losers are selected by the NRARS executive committee paired off in various regions.

To give the system a test it is being adopted for the first time here at the end of year six, but to keep things simple only four Losers have been invited. The top seed in the East Region is Jennifer Hart who is widely expected to win the tournament. She was matched up against Tom Witte in the West Region and defeated him easily.

Last year's Loser of the Year David Genser was the number one seed in the Southeast Region and was expected to give Ms. Hart a run for the money until he was unexpectedly eliminated by the Cinderella Loser in the tournament, Dave Zarrow from the Northsouth Region.

The tournament final will take place this coming Sunday, the very morning of the Flushie Awards Ceremony.

In a related note, Whoopie Goldberg and Billy Crystal who were slated to co-host the Flushies have decided to boycott the awards ceremony this year citing insensitive jokes by the likes of Joe Romm and pretty much everyone else in the group. Whoopie singled out Joe because of his proposal to slash and burn all wooded areas on the planet in order to increase global warming thus reducing the need for nuclear power to heat homes in the winter.

At the last minute and at very great expense, Loser John Kammer was put under contract to host the awards again this year. When asked why he selected Kammer, Carnahan said "First of all we needed someone who wasn't getting any awards anyway and Kammer is always consistent in mediocrity. Secondly, everyone else we asked either laughed in our face, threatened us with physical violence or looked at us as if we were insane."



## Is That a Cruise Missile in Your Pocket?

*CostCo (continued from page A1)*

the use of air power alone. In doing so they have completely depleted their supply of conventional cruise missiles. To address this concern the pentagon is apparently using the new super-secret stealth smart bombs. At a mere \$250,000 each, these new weapons are far less costly than traditional cruise missiles and are much more difficult to detect. They are completely invisible to radar, they are invisible to the ordinary eyesight of less intelligent people, and the explosions and destruction they leave behind cannot be detected by ordinary means. The number of these bombs that have been used in the assault on CostCo to date is highly classified but sources deep inside the pentagon estimate the total to be more than seven, possibly as many as three hundred or maybe a thousand or perhaps some number in between.

Spokesmen for CostCo in Sterling Va. have presumably decried the bombings and claim the forced mass exodus is a common occurrence every single night at closing time without regard to the number or types of purchases being made. They could not comment on the virtual destruction being wrought by the stealth bombs although computer simulations show the impact to be nothing less than pretty damn massive. Spokesmen for CostCo in Gaithersburg and Fair Oaks could not be reached for comment and thus have presumably been killed in the bombings.

The international community, which during the Monica Lewinsky scandal had rallied behind President Clinton, has now pretty much given him the cold shoulder. "Your President should make ze love, not ze war, yes?" said some frog on the street of Paris. The reaction from African countries was more of jealousy. "Hey, how come you don't bomb us during our wars" was the typical reaction.

CostCo was closed on Easter Sunday although management insists this had been scheduled well in advance and has nothing to do with the current hostilities.

-- *Clifford Notes is a new addition to the Depravda staff. He is an investigative reporter having recently obtained his associate's degree in rapid journalism along with minors in television repair and gardening from that mail order school Sally Struther's is always hawking. Clifford lives in Maryland with his girlfriend and their illegitimate child in a cobbled-together lean-to just off I-270 in the woods near where I-270 hits the beltway.*

## PAUL KONDIS PRESENTS... Rotisserie League '99

Hi, Sports fans! You're in the wrong place. SPORTS is several sections back. THIS is hard news. THIS is Rotisserie Losing coverage. I'll give you a minute to find your way out.

La la la la la la. How 'bout them Lakers? Oops! No! That wasn't Sports! Really! Now that Frank Lautenberg is retiring, do you think that the Republicans can finally claim that seat?

Whew. That was close.

Today's topic is the Losers! No, no. Wait. (flip, flip) I see the Losers are scheduled for next week. Today's topic is snow; that soft, placid, wetness that embodies evil. If you don't believe that snow is evil, just ask my cat. She will alertly listen to your argument, no matter how long you drone on. And she will be thinking "You are talking to a CAT. And you have not mentioned food ONCE." Case closed.

As we all know, snow likes to gather together in "gangs", and terrorize the poor innocent citizens of quaint "alpine villages". We in the nation's capital are not free of this scourge. Snow has been seen hanging about on the street corners in varying numbers several times. Snow likes to blanket communities, hanging about in your yard, on your kids, in the outdoor seating of your local pub knocking back a "cold one". It becomes unstable after having several pints and waits for a "trigger" effect. This could be a sneeze, or an emphatic statement from a politician (like Jack Kemp Cooke), or somebody having a heart attack while shovelling their driveway, and before you know it, a wall of snow one or two inches high is crashing down Capitol Hill, until it comes to rest at the Botanical Gardens.

What is Congress doing to protect us from this? Republican Congress? Nothing! What do they care? Only Democrats will be affected. What Republican would go to look at flowers? Can you see Ronald Reagan looking at flowers? He would be thinking "Hey. There's some brush that needs to be cleared. Get me my axe, Mommy!"

It's issues like this that keeps us here in the front section, far away from the Sports fans.



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Honeypole would be happy to have their picture run again in next month's issue. -- Maja Keech

Madonna's evil sister Erikanna warps some young minds in a surprise DC appearance. -- S. Dudzik

The Beav's sister Cleavage poses with some boys from the 'hood. -- S. Dudzik

The security camera in the Black Cat restroom captures some astounding images. -- S. Dudzik.

Show me the honey! -- S. Dudzik.



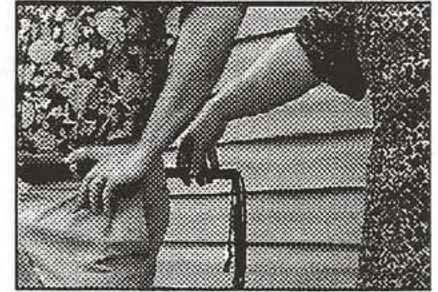
"I don't think Greg's going to be able to hit the cup from up there, Mike, but it's a good thing you're wearing yellow. Just in case he comes close." -- Sarah Worcester Gaymon

After a successful mission infiltrating Loserdom, Chuck and Mike prepare to beam back to the Mothership. - S. Dudzik.

Dr. Connaghan readies the specimen cup for his first patient ever. -- S. Dudzik

Two volunteers line up to test Sue Lin Chong's Prostatron Model B. -- S. Dudzik

Two losers fall for the ol' "Hey look up at the dead bird" gag. - S. Dudzik



Caption this photo for valuable prizes!

Caption this photo for less-valuable prizes



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### Wanted - Depravda Publisher

Sometime later this year the current Depravda editor/publisher will be implicated in a scandal so foul, so heinous, so unbelievably vile, that he will be forced to resign his post in humiliation. While we plan to cover this event in every sordid detail we will be needing someone to take the helm at Depravda when the story reaches its conclusion.

### loserpalooza '99

Congratulations JAN VERREY, you've been selected as the 1999 Loserfest Chairperson. As such you shall be the recipient of suggestions, hints, complaints, hand wringing, disparaging remarks, death threats and so much more.

More importantly, we of the NRARS are now all looking forward to your decisions. We won't agree with them mind you, but we won't tell you about it either, we'll simply plot behind your back.

NRARS members should start making reservations now before all rooms are booked. Don't wait, Don't hesitate!



# BETTER LATE THAN A LOSER

by: Steve Dudzik

**Dateline: 25 March 1999, NYC, The Ed Sullivan Theater, The Late Show--**

I don't seek fame, it seeks me. Dave Letterman knew he needed a Loser on Thursday's show so naturally I accepted when Late Show tickets appeared in my mailbox. I would have scalped them for several hundred dollars but new rules and regs effectively prevented me from cashing in and selling out.

My brother Michael, a Style Invitational irregular with two points to his name, and I attended the Thursday 5:30pm taping of the Late Show with guests Elton John, Dr. Henry Kissenger and Lee Ann Rimes. We stood in line to trade in the postcard for a real ticket. We were assigned numbers 186 and 187. That got us seats on stage left, in front of the band on the first level. That location would provide us face-time during the audience participation bit later. While killing time before we got to the theater entrance line, we visited Rock America and paid respects to Mujibar then popped over to Hello Deli. The assembly point was the Roseland ballroom which was also the potty point. Vent all orifices before you enter the theater.

But I digress... A guy from Bowie, MD got to ask Dave the only pre-show question. He also told Dave he worked at a Pontiac dealership and Dave made a comment. The Bowie man got a cameo close-up during the show when Dave said something about "them wide track Pontiacs". I was cleverly edited out of that shot by a UN conspiracy. The monologue was followed by the audience participation bit "Know Your Current Affairs". A Clinton NJ man was selected first. Michael's managed to show his face in that interview. My moment in the spotlight came when the second contestant, a woman from Fairfax Va, was picked. I saw myself in the background and immediately shifted my weight and farted. No, I shifted right in my seat and positioned my bright yellow LOSER t-shirt in front of the camera. I smiled with perverse glee as I watched the words LOSER being taped by CBS for posterity. If Dave had not spent so much time with those first two I'm sure he would have picked

me next. I radiated enthusiasm and current events knowledge. Maybe now the Czar will respect me more since I wore the shirt in public before millions of people.

Elton John went on to trash Roberto Benigni but that was nothing compared to the thrill I felt as I strutted my stuff to the late night television world. As we walked back to the train station I was handed a Flashdancers card which put the icing on a beautiful evening. Ah, the Big Apple!

## Editor's Note:

The Final Stats for YEAR 6 did not arrive before publishing time. We attribute this to an oversight at the Microsoft Corporation which they attribute to an oversight due to their being preoccupied by the

## BILL GATES vs. UNCLE SAM

bout on Pay Per View. The May issue of Depravda should include the final stats for year six unless it doesn't in which case we will run alternate programming at that time.

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### April 11th Brunch:

## NRARS Celebrates THE Y6K FLUSHIES

FEATURING:

*The Duelling Loser Band*

Without reservation, I'm proud to announce that the April Loser Brunch/Flushie Awards will be held at:

**Phineas 1580 Rockville Pike,  
Rockville, MD 20852-1674**

**Phone: (301)770-5025**

**10:30 a.m.**

The restaurant is located just a little further up Rockville Pike from Papa's Cafe/Doubletree Hotel, site of many previous NRARS Brunches. Reservations under NRARS/Zarrow. We will have the room from 10:30 till 1:00. Total price (food, beverages, tax, tip, dealer prep and room fee) should work out to \$20.62 per person.