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NRA BLAMES RECENT SCHOOL VIOLENCE ON INSUFFICIENT FIREPOWER AT SCHOOLS

Amid building criticism from the Clinton administration over recent violence at some of the nation's high schools, the National Rifle Association asked to clarify its position on the tragedies. This op ed piece was submitted to Depravda by Charleton Heston speaking for the NRA:

While as a gut reaction stupid people might blame gun violence on guns, it is more intelligent, more accurate and simply correct to recognize that guns do more to reduce gun violence than any other reasonable option short of nuclear weapons.

The tragedy in Littletown Colorado is a clear example of where more firepower could have helped save lives. The problem there wasn't that two nut case kids had access to illegal weapons, but rather that the rest of the school population was unarmed. It is this "sitting duck" syndrome that needs to be corrected. In order to do something positive toward solving that problem the NRA plans to institute a nationwide program in which we will arm all school administrators including principles, secretaries, teachers, teachers' aides, and janitors.

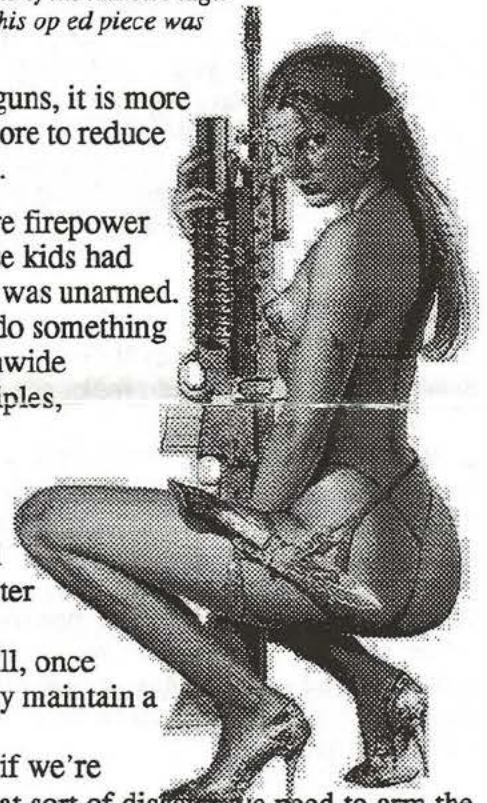
I think we can all agree that we need to improve discipline at the schools and our first step specifically addresses that problem. Discipline can only be maintained by demonstrating that you mean business. We'll train the teachers to single out the class troublemaker early in the semester and shoot this perp in front of the class. Some classes may have more troublemakers than just the one so a backup weapon may be needed. Still, once teachers have shown they're serious, the rest of the class will undoubtedly maintain a healthy respect for authority.

While this first step is a good one, additional effort will be required if we're going to stop the nut-case who just snaps one day. In order to prevent that sort of disaster we need to arm the students as well. Basic firearms techniques including the quick-draw and shooting from the hip should be mastered by the time kids are in the fourth grade. In this way if a situation looks bad, there should be plenty of kids available to start shooting before anyone gets hurt. With enough lead flying you can be assured that the bad apples are going to go down. It's a solution that's much more efficient than your so-called "therapy."

In addition the occurrences of other problems such as date rape should decline. In the event little Johnny asks Susie out, she no longer has to tell him 'no' twice. The first 'no' means business and the second 'no' will be fired at 3200 feet per second from the barrel of her 357 magnum. Johnny may not get the message the first time, but the second message is unmistakable.

We're not saying that guns are the answer to every problem. Far from it. You can't shoot a man to the moon with a gun. You can't paint the Mona Lisa with a gun. You can't fill out your tax forms with a gun (although they do tend to make audits go a lot faster when properly used). But when any sort of dispute arises, it's best to resolve it in a manly way and to do that you need to be heavily armed.

I beseech you do not listen to the nay-sayers. Shooting together we can make this a better country. Better for us, better for our kids and better for their kids after them. Thank you for this opportunity to speak on behalf of our freedom.



Letters to Resident

By the way, I'm not sure who wrote that letter to Depravda last month, but the reason Jean Sorensen can't be hired to replace me is that she is a professional. She's paid. If not in lucre, at least in free subscriptions or bumper stickers. Gratis flatus like mine is rare. Death to Mark Trail!!!! -- Peyton Coyner

While it is true we pay significant royalties for most of the items that appear in Depravda, it is also true we don't pay for your work. This is due to a loophole we've discovered in the fair wages and earnings legislation signed into law by your president. The legal language is fairly complicated but it laymans' terms it pretty much boils down to "nanny-nanny-boo-boo". Tough break! - ed.

Dear Editor,
Recently I won a two-year subscription to NY Magazine but I have yet to receive a single issue. Could you please contact Mary Ann Madden, mano-a-mano, Mr. Editor-to-Ms. Editor, and inquire as to the status of my subscription. I am sick of stealing the issues from J. Hart's mailbox. Pretty please?
Earie in Silver Spring

Ms. Madden and I had a very expensive dinner and it turns out that your issues of NY Mag are in fact being delivered directly to the Hart residence. Someone claiming to be a Stephanie Earie apparently called and gave the subscription department that address. Glad I could track that down for you, the cost of the dinner was \$495.43 and has been charged to your account. -ed.

Dear Editor,
You printed my questions in last month's issues but you did not respond. Why should I vent my soul to you if you don't take me seriously? Are you just using me to fill space? Is that all I am to you ya big galoot?
-- Stinkin' from Inkin'

Dear Sedative,
Could you please succinctly summarize the on-line email discussions of plagiarism of Style Invitational entries by The Funny Times and others? What is the final ruling on this issue by the Depravda staff lawyer?
-- Not Barry B.

This has been a difficult case for all involved, not least of which are the lawyers. The first thing the legal team did was take a look at Depravda assets to realize that there was no money in this for them. The next thing they did was to peel out of the driveway so quickly as to leave a trail of burning rubber a quarter-mile long down the street. Later they warned us against trying to bring any frivolous lawsuits unless and until we had money to pay them with. - ed.

Loserpalooza '99 of the Year!

by: Bryan Broadus and Peyton Coyner

Loserfest is once again upon us and this year Brian Broadus (whose misspelled name above somehow got through the review process) and Peyton Coyner have wrestled the title Ominpotentiate of Loserfest from Jan VerrEy (who later vowed a cruel and painful retribution the specifics of which have not been revealed) and thus (if you can still follow the line of thinking with all these damn parenthesis in the way) are in charge of the festivities. Details follow:

Two blocks of rooms have been reserved at the Charlottesville Omni (15 rooms, one king OR two double beds--perfect for sharing--for \$109) for July 10, with firm booking by June 10. This hotel is C'ville's best business class hotel, has an attached parking garage, renovated rooms, etc. Nicest place one can stay around here unless one wants to book a room at a B&B. It's in what passes for downtown Charlottesville, which has some nice new and used bookstores, linen stores, coffee shops, cafes, running along pedestrians-only Main Street for about 6 blocks. The University is about a mile away, is easily walked to, and the walk is safe for a group of people at any hour of the night. 3 or 4 of the restaurants I'm looking into for Loserdinner are very close by, although all would be in walking distance. On a summer night, there will be plenty of people on the pedestrian-only portion of Main Street--lots of outdoor dining or a possible chance to hang out and drink even more after Loserdinner. There is an ice rink. Lots of twentysomethings live in second floor blocks in this district. Rooms for July 17 at this place are \$140, which explains the July 10 booking.

Hotel reservations may be made for Saturday, JULY 10 from NOW through June 11 at the Charlottesville Omni Hotel. Dial (804) 971-5500 and request the "Reservations Desk." Tell'em your with the "NRARS" group and give'em your preference for a single king (bed!) or two doubles for the quoted special \$109 rate.

We have put aside 15 rooms. If you call and the hotel tells you they've sold out our block--not likely for at least a while--then let me know and I'll 1) verify that the hotel staff hasn't screwed up somewhere 2) help you find another place to stay nearby. I'd never thought I'd say this to this group, but speak up with your newly-informed opinion of what I should do about the reservations.

Festivities would begin in the very late morning or early afternoon of Saturday. There would be a Loser dinner, an informal Loser brunch, and optional Sunday activities. The drive from a Washington landmark, say the Lincoln Memorial or the Target-Washington Monument, to Charlottesville takes between 2-1/4 to 2-1/2 hours. There is train service from Union Station to Charlottesville, though using only the train may mean that one must spend Friday night in C'ville as well and perhaps leave very early Sunday morning. The drive from Charlottesville to Howardsville (the putting-in point for the James River tubing trip) takes about 40 minutes. Alas, there is no public transportation to Howardsville.

Living in Style

The Year Six Diary

by: Russ Beland

Week 260: It is the start of Style year six. If I can't finish first for a year, at least I can capture the narcissism award at next year's Flushies. What follows are my journal entries for year six, as they happen. As I write this I have no idea how I'll do over the next 51 weeks. Oh, and this week's contest really Monicas. (Will people even get that joke a year from now?)

Week 262: The final results are in from year five. Despite having the lead for much of the year I finish fourth, thirty appearances behind the winner, whose name escapes me at the moment.

Week 265: Year six has hardly begun and I'm already seven appearances behind John Paul. How are you supposed to compete with the Pope for Christ's sake?

Week 268: This week is the name-the-race-horse contest, my favorite. I've scored a T-shirt, or better, in every previous year. Unfortunately, this year it comes at a time when I am busy at work. I crank out only about 120 entries. Last year the race horses came on a week when I had three days of EEO training, boy did I have lots of entries that time.

Week 270: I remain several points behind Paul, Blyveis, and a few others, my lack luster start to year six continues. I had big hopes for the Mr. Boffo contest printed this week, but no ink. Worse, this week's contest is poetry. I don't even attempt an entry. Fortunately, I have being semi-retired on which to fall back.

Week 271: Memorial Day Weekend: The results of the race horse contest revive my hopes somewhat. Six appearances is my second best ever and easily my best of the year. Joe Romm e-mailed me to say he was quitting his cushy government job soon and plans to goof off for a while. I suspect he either got canned for all those Clinton jokes or wants to devote full time to Viagra use. Either way, his style entries should soar with no day job to annoy him. In real news, another kid just shot up his school (this one in Oregon); there must be a contest idea in that somewhere.

Week 275: My wife and I get the first joint ear substitute. Maureen is excited, and wants to know what she wins, ha! Jennifer is pulling way out in front for year six, with a pack (including me) roughly tied for second. Unfortunately, I always hit a slump in late summer and Jennifer claims to get "hot" in the fall. Even my fortune telling 8 ball is "not optimistic."

Week 276: The Anti-loser, Krattenmaker, has returned. Year six is getting interesting. With Jennifer way out in front, Elden done with law school, Romm with spare time on his hands, and Chuck apparently taking a serious interest again, ink is should get hard to come by. If Krattenmaker is really back, rather than just making a cameo, all bets are off. Dudzik had a big week, completely overshadowed by The Return.

Week 279: My first win of the year. This one for pointing out that an innie isn't as good as an Audi. I also got called a vainglorious, publicity-seeking, chowder head by the Czar. Such praise is rare indeed. This week's assignment is a bad poem, as if I write any other kind. Still, I think I'll exercise my semi-retired status and sit this one out.

Week 281: The results of week 278 (change one letter in a word and redefine it) were filled with the regulars. In the ongoing three-way fight for second place lifetime, Witte had a big week and put a little space between himself and Jennifer and Elden. This week's contest (explain which of three pictures doesn't belong with the other two) is the hardest I can remember in a long time.

PAUL KONDIS PRESENTS... Rotisserie League '99

Before we start with our regular feature, we would like to take a minute to talk about the Statue of Liberty play, currently the fad among Rotisserie owners, showing at the Arena Stage starring Clare Danes as the Statue and Leonardo de Caprio as the one she holds a torch for, and involving at least one plot twist that enables her to take off her clothes and show her acting talents, but the overall effect is of a five to ten year sentence, or at least a one-paragraph sentence.

But. What with the robins arriving in town on the first train and the cherry blossoms trying to brighten our bleak, depressing world, we see that it is time for the Annual Spring Fashion Issue! featuring clothing trends for the modern Loser and you won't be very surprised to find out that the hot new Loser clothing trend is T-shirts, will you, so maybe we'll just skip that part, then, and move on to the next part which is, what? what?, oh, I know, sentences that just go on and on and on.

So, in order to bring you the latest in Loser fashions, we broke into Loser Central last week, because, let's face it, that's the closest some of us are going to get to genuine Loserwear, and we snatched a box and found out that the T-shirts basically are the same style as the ones seen being worn around town by Losers, so you guys are already on the forefront of the fashion industry what the heck do you need us for, we're beginning to suspect you are just trying to get us out of the way so you can go drink beer somewhere where the sentences actually end.

So we did a little research, reading the back of the latest issue of Depravda, and found out that you weren't drinking beer, you were drinking champagne, many, many, glasses of champagne, sent to you by a secret admirer, and that you were all holed up in an intimate little bistro on Rockville Pike, so we went and crashed the party only we got there a bit early so we had to cool our heels outside in the rain until the place opened three hours later but we were still able to disrupt the whole shindig by pelting people with M&Ms and droning on and on and on so that nobody else could get a word in or sing a song or get a word in, sort of exactly like this, only more so.

And what with us getting shown the door, and a quality door it was!, we sat down quietly in the snow and thought of Clare Danes and her acting talents and decided to wrap this in-depth Rotisserie coverage up in just under one sentence.

FINAL YEAR 6 STANDINGS

All Losers Appearing, Weeks 260-311

Y6 Rk: Your rank among 394 appearing

Y6 Pt: Print appearances in Year 6

C Pt: Print appearances, career

C Rk: Your rank among 2,190 Losers
appearing in print since Week 1

(Issues? carns@erols.com)

Y6 Rk	Name	Y6 Pt	C Pt	C Rk
1	Jennifer Hart	89	307	3
2	Tom Witte	76	313	2
3	David Genser	73	225	6
4	Brian Broadus	65	71	18
5	Jonathan Paul	60	186	8
6	Chuck Smith	56	403	1
7	Sandra Hull	54	120	13
8	Barry Blyveis	51	91	16
9	Elden Carnahan	50	277	4
	Jean Sorensen	50	153	10
11	Stephen Dudzik	46	191	7
	Dave Zarrow	46	121	12
13	John Kammer	43	133	11
14	Russell Beland	40	236	5
15	Meg Sullivan	30	65	21
16	Niels Hoven	27	46	31
17	Art Grinath	26	106	14
18	Ralph Scott	23	23	53
19	Michael Genz	22	38	33
	Joseph Romm	22	176	9
21	J. Schott	21	21	61
22	Bill Strider	19	30	41
23	T. J. Murphy	18	23	54
24	Sue Lin Chong	16	65	20
25	Greg Arnold	14	47	30
26	Kevin Cuddihy	13	74	17
	Susan Reese	13	53	27
28	Paul Kocak	12	34	36
29	Robin Grove	11	64	23
30	Jose Cortina	10	24	52
	Jerry Pannullo	10	51	28
32	David Kleinbard	9	22	56
	Paul Styrene	9	64	22
34	Richard Leiby	8	8	104
35	Phil Frankenfeld	8	20	64
36	Bob Dalton	7	32	38
	Kevin Mellema	7	48	29
	Dudley Thompson	7	12	84
	Philip Vitale	7	17	72
40	Barbara Collier	6	6	131
41	Ned Bent	6	22	57
	Dave Ferry	6	38	34
	Jessica Mathews	6	56	25
	Kelli Midgley-Biggs	6	11	87
	William Powell	6	7	122
	Jacob Weinstein	6	26	50
	Sarah Worcester	6	101	15
48	Jo Lombard	5	5	148
49	John Allen	5	8	105
	Philip Delduke	5	27	48
	Steven King	5	30	42
	Charlie Myers	5	13	83
	Howard Walderman	5	8	107
54	William Scott	4	4	173

Y6 Rk	Name	Y6 Pt	C Pt	C Rk
55	Mike Scheinberg	4	4	174
56	Steve Fahey	4	14	78
	Dave Garratt	4	6	140
	Michael Hammer	4	32	39
	Jessica Henig	4	6	132
	Barney Kaufman	4	8	106
	Joel Kranishu	4	28	44
	Paul Laporte	4	17	70
	Lee Mayer	4	17	70
	Stu Solomon	4	6	135
65	Nancy McWhorter	3	3	238
66	Eric Lenning	3	3	239
67	Mary Pat Landry	3	3	240
68	Julia Gordon	3	3	241
69	Jason Zweback	3	3	242
70	Greg Oetjen	3	3	243
71	Martin Keutel	3	3	244
72	Peter Hughes	3	3	245
73	E. Lloyd	3	3	246
74	Don Juran	3	6	133
	Maja Keech	3	11	88
	Brad Kelly	3	4	177
	Paul Kondis	3	68	19
	Kenneth Krattenmaker	3	55	26
	Joe Ponessa	3	5	150
	David Smith	3	22	58
	Charlie Steinhice	3	27	45
	Ann Zeleny	3	4	175
83	Malcolm Fleschner	2	2	353
84	Rebecca Plunkett	2	2	354
85	Mary Ann Henningsen	2	2	355
86	Carolyn Bassing	2	2	356
87	John Di Fazio	2	2	357
88	Kristine Griswold	2	2	358
89	Caitlin Carson	2	2	359
	Leslie Jones	2	2	359
91	Douglas Riley	2	2	361
	Dave Yost	2	2	361
93	Geoffrey Thomas	2	2	363
94	Larilee Black	2	2	364
	Mark Eckenwiler	2	2	364
96	Joe Kobylski	2	2	366
	Roz Levine	2	2	366
98	Dirk French	2	2	368
	Max Handelsman	2	2	368
	Ronnie Mervis	2	2	368
101	Larry Phillips	2	2	371
102	Elizabeth Monte	2	2	372
103	Jessica Clark	2	2	373
	Ellen Cotter	2	2	373
105	Mark Early	2	2	375
	Christopher Hapner	2	2	375
	Thad Humphries	2	2	375
108	Corey Jenkins	2	2	378
109	Roy Ashley	2	14	77
	Brendan Beary	2	4	181
	Andrew Cohn	2	4	178
	Don Cooper	2	4	188
	Peyton Coyner	2	29	43
	Nick Dierman	2	15	76
	George Esworthy	2	2	379
	Michael Farquhar	2	4	191
	Maureen Flaherty	2	5	151
	Mary Lee Fox Roe	2	27	49
	Earl Gilbert	2	21	62
	Greg Griswold	2	3	333
	Chris Kaufman	2	3	253
	Courtney Knauth	2	4	190

Y6 Rk	Name	Y6 Pt	C Pt	C Rk
109	Susanne Lazanov	2	3	338
	Harold Mantle	2	9	102
	Larry Marcus	2	3	256
	Douglas Olson	2	14	80
	Tom Shroder	2	3	259
	Bob Staake	2	8	112
	Lynn Stanton	2	4	216
130	Gloria Behrens	1	1	675
	Jerry Falwell	1	1	675
	Kerry Humphrey	1	1	675
	Jennifer Pratt	1	1	675
134	Katie Buckner	1	1	679
	Greg Dobbins	1	1	679
	Alan Jarvis	1	1	679
	J. Knowles	1	1	679
	Nancy Sharp	1	1	679
139	Evan Golub	1	1	684
	Bob Griffin	1	1	684
	Hari Suryanarayanan	1	1	684
	Andy Wexler	1	1	684
143	Ginny Sprinkle	1	1	688
144	Dan Dunn	1	1	689
	B. Greenmont	1	1	689
	Ernest Lent	1	1	689
	Tony Whitmore	1	1	689
148	Michael Aceto	1	1	693
	Janet Arrowsmith-Love	1	1	693
	Edgar Chacon	1	1	693
	Ginger Howard	1	1	693
	Anne McKenzie	1	1	693
	Robert Oerter	1	1	693
154	Bill Crandell	1	1	699
	David Culp	1	1	699
	Daniel Foster	1	1	699
	Matt Michalak	1	1	699
	George Murray	1	1	699
	Dave Pickering	1	1	699
	Jim Sample	1	1	699
	Amy Smitherman	1	1	699
162	Marvin Maizel	1	1	707
	Thomas Templeton	1	1	707
164	Ted Allen	1	1	709
	Marcy Alvo	1	1	709
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	Bill Hole	1	1	709
	Kathy Hollen	1	1	709
	Brian Hollen	1	1	709
	Marianne Jermiano	1	1	709
	Steve Krauss	1	1	709
	John McElhatton	1	1	709
	Stuart McKinnon	1	1	709
	Bella Portillo	1	1	709
	Jim Thelen	1	1	709
	Paul Whitmore	1	1	709
177	Don Cameron	1	1	722
	Janet Hostetler	1	1	722
	Beverly Miller	1	1	722
	Tamara Wexler	1	1	722
	Mike Wilson	1	1	722
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	John DiFazio	1	1	727
	Bill Erwin	1	1	727
	William Wegman	1	1	727
186	Joann Gottlieb	1	1	731
	Tipper McFarren	1	1	731
	Ian Mitchell	1	1	731
	Jim Swickard	1	1	731
190	Tony Alleyne	1	1	735

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	Ali Rains	1	1	735
	Steve Smith	1	1	735
	Patrick Wright	1	1	735
	George Wright	1	1	735
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	Jonathan Levy	1	1	741
	Terry Lewis	1	1	741
	Kevin Shertz	1	1	741
	Karl Vick	1	1	741
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	Yves Chretien	1	1	746
	Heather Crawford	1	1	746
	Maria Deasy	1	1	746
	Joe Dodd	1	1	746
	Marcus Ferro	1	1	746
	Sue Finger	1	1	746
	Cy Gardner	1	1	746
	Barbara Gems	1	1	746
	J. O'Donnell	1	1	746
	Daniel Platt	1	1	746
	Mary Lou White	1	1	746
	Alan Zirkle	1	1	746
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	Antonio La Grech	1	1	759
	Tom Phelps	1	1	759
	Courtney Sherwood	1	1	759
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	Adrienne Hagen	1	1	763
	Tina Ingerski	1	1	763
	Randi Kreistensen	1	1	763
	Victoria McKernan	1	1	763
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	Ray Bohlkin	1	1	768
	Ginny Carr	1	1	768
	Benjamin Eye	1	1	768
	Adrienne Hope	1	1	768
	Barbara Lewis	1	1	768
	Robert McBride	1	1	768
230	Minders Weiskopf	1	1	775
231	Don Cook	1	1	776
	Kitty Klaus	1	1	776
233	Kenneth Bohlkin	1	1	778
	Michael Dailey	1	1	778
	Joe Gallaher	1	1	778
	Stevenson James	1	1	778
	F. Walker	1	1	778
238	Stephanie Campbell	1	1	783
	Jim Doyle	1	1	783
	Dorothy Franklin	1	1	783
	Mary Lou French	1	1	783
	Daniel Klein	1	1	783
	Ben Llewellyn	1	1	783
244	Kathy Braman	1	1	789
	Rebecca Frank	1	1	789
246	Pat Davis	1	1	791
	Ken Fishbein	1	1	791
	Steve Hahn	1	1	791
249	Jami Cashell	1	1	794
	Amy Egloff Baker	1	1	794
	Roger Firestone	1	1	794
	Ruth Hendrix	1	1	794
	Sharon Neubauer	1	1	794
	Frank Spina	1	1	794
255	Dwight Davis	1	1	800
	Daryl Friedman	1	1	800
	Pat Myers	1	1	800
	John Ruthinoski	1	1	800

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259	Jon Batten	1	1	804
	Gary Clare	1	1	804
	Rita Kempley	1	1	804
	James Lyman	1	1	804
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	Tara Kennedy	1	1	808
	Marc Levy	1	1	808
	Alison Levy	1	1	808
	Katherine Mangu-Ward	1	1	808
	Dave Olds	1	1	808
	Kate Schwarz	1	1	808
	Gary Welsh	1	1	808
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272	Kevin Eade	1	1	817
	Bee Perrin	1	1	817
274	Mary Clarke	1	1	819
	Jeffrey Ehrlich	1	1	819
	Frank Kearns	1	1	819
	Scott Wilson	1	1	819
	Hank Zangara	1	1	819
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	Bob Mills	1	1	824
	Ian Morrissey	1	1	824
	Jeffrey Wolfson	1	1	824
283	Jimmy Jung	1	1	828
	Mary Jane Mitchell	1	1	828
	Joseph Pincus	1	1	828
286	Paul Allen	1	1	831
	Jeff Becan	1	1	831
	Warren Blair	1	1	831
	Laurie Geller	1	1	831
	Jenny Gundersen	1	1	831
	Ben Margulies	1	1	831
	Christopher Richard	1	1	831
293	Tansy Matthews	1	1	836
	Michael Wright	1	1	838
295	Yogi Berra	1	1	840
	Ray Clarke	1	1	840
	John Manley	1	1	840
298	Jon Chananie	1	1	843
	Phil Edgren	1	1	843
	Bob Hall	1	1	843
	Ruth Heitin	1	1	843
302	Marc Goldman	1	1	847
	David Litman	1	1	847
304	Bob Cramer	1	1	849
	Ed Dymula	1	1	849
	Randall Kunkel	1	1	849
	Baylen Linnekin	1	1	849
	Bruce McNeill	1	1	849
	Carl Meredith	1	1	849
	Chris Pfaller	1	1	849
311	David Funkhouser	1	1	856
	Jeffrey Hamberger	1	1	856
	Joe Martin	1	1	856
	Gretchen Schieber	1	1	856
	Alan Smith	1	1	856
316	Kyle Bonney	1	1	861
	Spencer Fogg	1	1	861
	Barbara Harrison	1	1	861
	David Hoffman	1	1	861
	Gary Kunz	1	1	861
321	Sunny Doman	1	1	866
322	Jake Joseph	1	1	867
	Robert Perkins	1	1	867
324	Buckley Carlson	1	1	869
	Eric Dunayer	1	1	869
	Raj Iyer	1	1	869

Y6 Rk	Name	Y6 Pt	C Pt	C Rk
324	Erica Magram	1	1	869
	Tom Restivo	1	1	869
	Carol Thompson	1	1	869
	Patrick Tighe	1	1	869
	Keith Waites	1	1	869
332	John Kaluta	1	1	877
	Harry Moritz	1	1	877
334	August Amurao	1	1	879
	Andrew Gibson	1	1	879
336	Dave Andrews	1	2	381
	Ray Aragon	1	7	123
	Nora Belle	1	1	881
	Beth Benson	1	3	266
	Julie Brinkman	1	2	573
	Matt Brown	1	1	881
	Marian Carlsson	1	3	287
	Jeff Chostner	1	2	384
	Cindy Coe	1	7	123
	Mike Connaghan	1	33	37
	Paul Crystal	1	2	398
	John Cushing	1	9	98
	Fred Dawson	1	22	59
	David DeCuoto	1	2	388
	Bonnie Devore	1	7	129
	Thomas Drucker	1	2	640
	Steve Ettinger	1	2	394
	Fil Feit	1	5	165
	Amy Fine	1	2	386
	Bernie Harris	1	2	548
	Robert Hershey	1	2	465
	John Holder	1	2	528
	Ken Huck	1	4	179
	Michael Jahr	1	5	163
	Jonathan Kaye	1	4	212
	Andrea Kelly	1	2	394
	Clark Kidd	1	2	489
	Daniel Kravetz	1	2	394
	Tom Kreitzberg	1	3	255
	Gary Lefkowitz	1	2	433
	David Lewis	1	2	407
	Stephen Mather	1	3	300
	Scott McKenzie	1	3	281
	Noah Meyerson	1	8	116
	Edward Mickolus	1	8	111
	Bobbie Miller	1	8	108
	David Mills	1	2	523
	Tom Morgen	1	1	881
	John Oesterle	1	3	263
	Mary Phillips	1	9	95
	Mike Platt	1	5	152
	Jim Pond	1	3	283
	Kelly Price	1	2	432
	Joyce Rains	1	5	166
	Harold Rennett	1	2	476
	Jerry Robin	1	2	503
	Meredith Robinson	1	2	385
	David Ronka	1	7	121
	Alan Rosenzweig	1	1	881
	David Salzman	1	2	408
	Mae Scanlan	1	7	125
	Jim Seibert	1	3	267
	Anna Shaw	1	2	473
	Irwin Singer	1	2	410
	G. Smith	1	2	439
	Bob Sorensen	1	19	68
	Kitty Thuermer	1	20	67
	Justin Warner	1	3	273
	Jerrold Witcher	1	5	156

The breaker is Consistency, which is Points divided by number of Weeks since your Debut or Week 260, whichever is later. Therefore, the later your Debut in Year 6, the higher your Consistency. Losers debuting before Year 6 are charged with all 52 Weeks, which is why all these 1-point veteran Losers are tied for last place.

Bits and Pieces

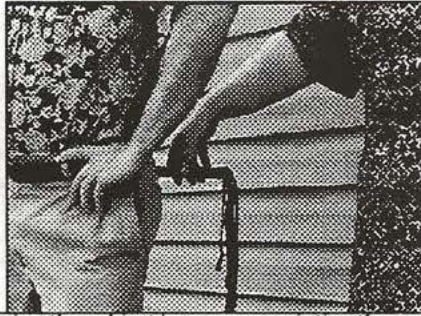
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Weeks 282-284: My traditional summer slump hits again. Three years in a row I go on vacation in August and don't get printed when I expect to, then the new contests suck and I end up with nearly nothing for six weeks or so. Meanwhile, Jennifer looks to have locked up year six with a 10 appearance lead.

Week 292: It's nearly Halloween and my "summer" slump is competing with the Redskins for worst in town. (The Skins went 0 and 7 this week-end.) I think I'll beat them to the punch and fire my coach.

Week 305: Semi-retirement is taking its toll on my standings. I am way way off the pace for year six. Sara just got married, changed her name, and then gave me tickets to Politically Incorrect (I do not think the first two events are relate to the third). This week's contest is another Ask Backwards (the bane of my personal existence) so I guess I'm exercising the retired side of my semi-brain.

Week 308: An eventful week for me. I attend my first brunch in months, a small affair at Georgetown University. I, of course, expected to be grilled on the finer points of demographics, but, strangely, people seem to have had enough of that. I was also printed for the first time ever in a



If n ya don't start a captioning them, I just keeps on re-printing them.
- ed.

Reportedly a true story - Last names have been deleted to prevent unnecessary embarrassment to Mr. Dudzik. I mean.. Dunzer... uh... Dunkin.. never mind who, that's not important.

Steve meets a girl at a nightclub and she invites him back to her place for the night. When they get to her bedroom. Steve notices all these fluffy toys. There are hundreds of them: Fluffy toys on top of the wardrobe, fluffy toys on the bookshelf and window sill, fluffy toys on the floor and, of course, fluffy toys all over the bed.

Later, after they've had sex, Steve turns to her and asks: "So... how was it?"

She says "Well,... you can take anything from the bottom shelf."

Coming soon to a television near you:

Ellen Lamb will be in Jeopardy -- Supposedly on or about 16 July

WANTED:

1999 Loser Rotisserie Kommisar. Qualifications required: none.

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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.

"Jeopardy" contest. The Czar didn't use my best entry, but so what. Tuesday of this week is the taping of Politically Incorrect. My daughter and about a dozen losers are set to go. Meanwhile the results for the year are looking well set. Jennifer is way ahead, but unlikely to beat last year's mark. My fall slump followed by extended vacation will likely keep me out of the year's top ten.

Oh the shame! Final Standings: I finish 14th. Four-damn-teenth! That's not good enough to get Chinese food out the Czar. My humiliation is profound. I finished behind Zarrow for pity sake. There is no room to sink lower.

The Flushies: I stand corrected. I have been awarded "Least Imporved Loser." Now my shame is complete. But hey, I'm in the top-5 for year seven, and only 3 appearances behind Hart, so who knows....

Next Month in Depravda:

- * The grovelling for a new publisher, authors, and rotisserie commisar continues.
- * Russ Beland on why he should have won the damn contest last week instead of whomever actually did win it.
- * New pictures to caption? That all depends.
- * PlayLoser of the Month - Chuck Smith
- * Anything else we can possibly fit!

Correction: Last month Depravda erroneously reported that President Clinton ordered the NATO bombing of CostCo. It turns out he actually order the bombing of Kosovo which is apparently a country, or province, or suburb, or something like that. We sincerely regret any confusion this may have caused.

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Living in style

"The Chronicles of Czarina"

by: Russ Beland

I first entered the contest on Week 73 (things Neil Armstrong should have said when he stepped on the moon; I was printed twice, but still robbed). Since then, I've entered, maybe, 200 contests with an average of, say, 20+ entries each, add in a few hundred Ears, some contest ideas, and other such things. Call it 5,000 total submissions to the Czar. I have also read thousands of entries from other people (both printed and snubbed). Put another way, I know my Czar.

Most of us have a good idea of what the Czar thinks is funny: poop. We also know what the Czar isn't allowed to print: really dirty (or otherwise highly offensive) stuff. But have you ever stopped to think about what the Czar doesn't think is funny? Below is my list of the Czar's third rails. I have about given up on jokes with these themes. Try to get ink with them at your own peril.

GEDs: I've sent a dozen killer entries about people with GEDs. Total ink = 0.

Strayer College: Lots of entries, again no ink.

Bob Woodward: Yeah, right.

Joe Biden: These jokes may just be too out of date; even Kennedy can get ink sometimes.

Monty Python Parodies: Make a reference to a Monty Python skit and rest assured you won't have to worry about what to do with yet another bumper sticker.

Luxembourg: Even the name sounds funny to me, but not to Him.

Monotheists: Perhaps it's just too large a minority to offend.

Albinos: Perhaps he doesn't want to offend white people.

For me, that seems to be the limits. Everything else is either fair game or untested waters.

Everyone's Gone Surfin', Surfin' "Ebay..."

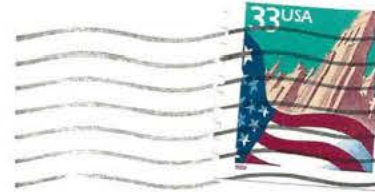
This is the story of one Loser's quest for fame, glory, immortality and ink in the most unlikely of places, the Internet. Contrary to the opinion of one Mister Joseph Romm, ears and prize points are NOT cheap ink. I will save the Ear discussion for another issue of Depravda. Great Style Invitational prizes don't suddenly appear as if by magic in the Czar's in-box, they are hunted down like Spotted Owls. The hunt is made easier by Internet auction sites like Ebay. That is where I found Mr. Romm's recent prize, the Clarabell-Clown-on-Crack mask. You never realize just how much junk exists in the universe until you attempt to buy some. Recent purchases included funky 50's fruit and a selection of fast-food t-shirts. Why, just yesterday I placed a bid for an armadillo purse. This purse has the little hands and feet on the outside and the creature's head on top. The item description labels it as "a one-of-a-kind purse". No doubt... I've yet to find Vietnamese snake wine offered for sale but that will happen.

There are so many unusual items it's hard to pick one to bid on. Bondage equipment attracts my attention only because The House of Pain needs to be refurbished. Would the Czar actually give such items away, who knows? The bidding for such stuff quickly escalates though, especially from Californians and certain enclaves of Herndon, VA. Full-size mannequins are offered for sale but the price rockets beyond my Style prize budget. I've seen several cobra and mongoose taxidermy pieces listed but there are people willing to pay close to \$100 for them. Yikes. Even the lowly squirrel-in-a-canoe mount can reach \$40 easy. I know Mary Ann Madden ain't buying them. Witte? Nah, he stays with the real deal.

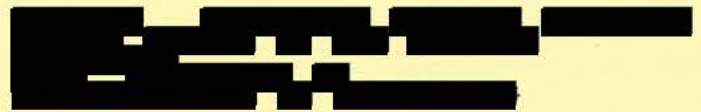
In conclusion, if you don't have the time or the car to shop at yard sales and if a 22-hour Vietnam seems a bit long for a \$10 bottle of snake wine, then use Ebay. It gives me great pleasure to be able to rescue a unique object d'art from the masses and donate it to the Style Invitational. Yup, great pleasure and a point in the database.

Stephen "Eyes on the Prize" Dudzik

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Love,
Dave



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