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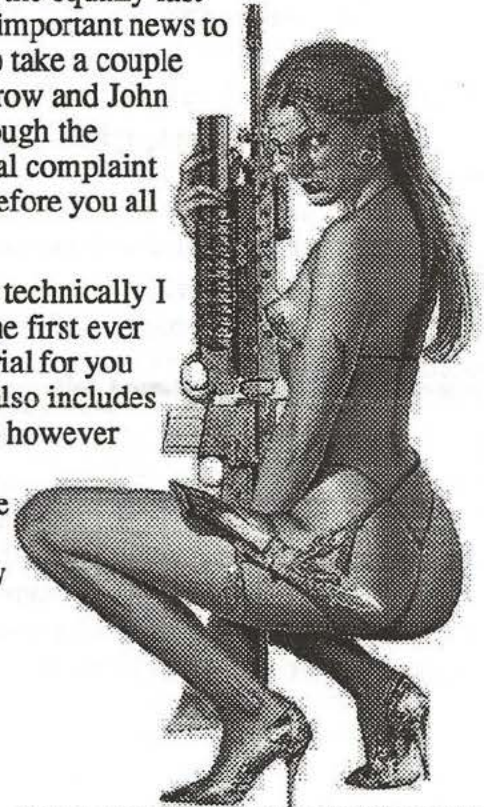
"The beginning is just a start"

NOTHING OF GREAT IMPORTANCE WORTH REPORTING

DEPRAVDA STAFF AT A LOSS TO COME UP WITH DECENT HEADLINE

With the unexpectedly quick end to the Monica Lewinsky story and the equally fast completion of the war at Costco there has sadly been little in the way of important news to report on of late and so the Depravda staff have taken the opportunity to take a couple months off. Using what little was left in the Depravda coffers Dave Zarrow and John Kammer went on an all-expense-paid investigative reporting cruise through the Carribean. It was fantastic, the food was exceptionally good, the only real complaint we had was the sleeping quarters as we kinda had to share a room. And before you all get thinking too far ahead, Dave had to sleep on the couch.

None the less, you unwitting subscribers did pay for a July issue, so technically I suppose we are obligated to print one. So this month we're delivering the first ever DOUBLE ISSUE of Depravda. It's packed with two months full of material for you to enjoy and share with your friends. As a special bonus the June issue also includes the same photo of the gun-toting woman we ran in the May issue. It has however been recaptioned. But as no one seems to comment on the cover stories anyway, and since no one seems to notice when or if we do run the same photos over and over, we've found it's much simpler to run the same photos from month to month and just recaption them or chance the story they're accompanying.



Senators recommend educational facilities require students to wear uniforms, such as this one designed by Ted Kennedy, in order to reduce school violence

Y2K Bug Kills Depravda Statistician

Perhaps the term "kills" is a bit harsh in this headline as the bug didn't actually render Mr. Carnahan lifeless. It just that he's been unable to get the stats out in a timely manner. Technically this has nothing at all to do with the Y2K bug either, but it sounds good and most people don't read much beyond the headline anyway.

We sincerely hope that the Carnahan residence isn't inundated with flowers due to the headline above, but if that is the case we expect some frikkin' gratitude from the florists in Laurel if no one else. We also apologize in advance for this error.

The viewing will be held at the Frankenstein & Sons Mortuary in downtown Laurel on Saturday at 1:00pm. Mr. Frankenstein hopes to have the body back on its feet, or another set, later in the week. The family has requested cash donations (unmarked bills) be made to Dave Zarrow in leu of flowers.



Mikey the Tout grieves in the only way he knows.

Letter to the Edit

Dear Abby:

Is Mike "The Tout" Hammer of Invitational fame, and whose NRARS bio describes his day job as "news thingie," the same Michael Hammer who spends his flacking for the National Security Council in response to inquiries regarding Chinese espionage? I keep seeing that name in the papers. Any idea?

Curious in Texas

Dear Curious,

How the hell should I know? Last time I went to the NSC I was making a food delivery and they tossed me out as soon as I'd given them the chow. Oddly that was the first time the Chinese Restaurant owner has ever tipped me for delivery. My lord does he tip well...

Depravda Labs Announces Y2K Breakthrough

Herndon, VA (6/11/99) -- T.B. von Hohenheim, Head of Depravda's Information Systems Department, reported that a simulation of the upcoming Y2K/End of the World scenario is really no problem at all for the NRARS and its vast readership. "Vee haff concluded that zere is nussing to vorry about wiss regard to zee Y2K problem. On June 10th, just as zee June issue vas ready to be put to bed, Depravda engineers set zee Vay-Forward Machine™ to December 31st, 1999, and hit zee 'Publish' key. Ass you can zee, zee June issue came out right on time, and zo zere is nussing to vorry about vatsoever from zee so-called Millenium Bug. Okay, if you need me I'll be in my bunker vith my canned zardines and my Uzi."

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Living in Style

Why Not 1 K ?

by: Russ Beland

One thousand; One-thousand; One-zero-zero-zero; 1,000. Just about the roundest number you come across in day-to-day life. To Caesar it was the big M. To Carl Sagan it was just rounding error. To Wilt Chamberlain, it's a good weekend. To wireheads, it's a K (and yes, wireheads, we all know 1K really equals 1024, thanks for sharing that).

To Losers, one-thousand appearances may seem an impossible goal. We are, however, not all that far away. Chuck is past 400, Hart and Witte are a third of the way to a K. I just passed 250 and, by the time this is printed, Genser may be there too. Who will reach 1,000 first, and when? Here's the handicapper's guide as of the week 321 results.

Chuck Smith-Debut: Week 6; Points: 411; Current Running: 1st.

Strengths: Staying power, a big lead. Does well with cartoon contests.

Concerns: Has fallen off his pace some in the last couple of years, rarely scores points for things other than regular contest entries.

Handicapper's report: Smith has potential to pull way out in front, if motivated. Likely distracted of late with other contests, comic strips, and plays. Homicide going off-line unlikely to influence his scoring.

Bottom Line: Should get to 1,000 on week 882. Track Odds: 5:1

Jennifer Hart-Debut: Week 11; Points: 327; Currently Running 2nd.

Strengths: Amazing output after first two slow years. Can score on any contest, pulls ahead in rankings when the contests bite.

Concerns: Home ownership could "tie her down".

Handicapper's report: Clearly the Czar's favorite, Jennifer has the ability to score big on any given week. Currently the statistical favorite to get to 1,000 first, but she'll need a strong kick if Chuck gets his second wind.

Bottom Line: Should get to 1,000 on week 855. Track Odds: 4:1

Tom Witte Debut: Week 7; Points: 327; Currently Running 3rd

Strengths: Consistency. Word game contests.

Concerns: Might have a hard time entering SI from prison.

Handicapper's report: With almost no hot or cold streaks, Tom is the most consistent of the front runners. Seems likely to stay in the hunt till the end.

Bottom Line: Should get to 1,000 on week 873. Track Odds: 5:1

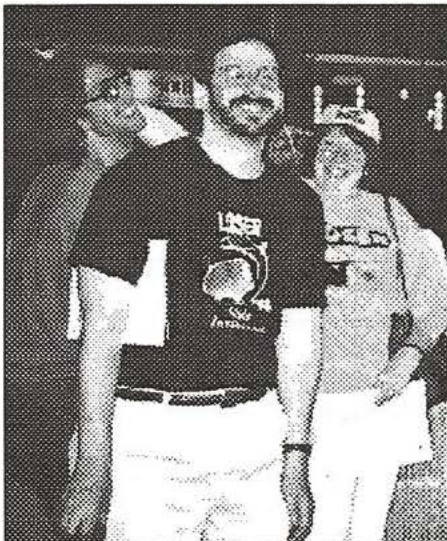
continued next month...



Recently an Alexandria bank's security camera captured this image of a robbery taking place. Police suspect the teller (shown smiling like a cat who's swallowed the canary) may be involved. A \$10,000 reward is available to anyone with information that leads to the capture and conviction of the unknown assailant



Riding aboard Kentucky Derby and Preakness winner Charismatic, new jockey Steve Dudzik leads the multi-million dollar horse to the Alpo factory after pushing it too hard in the Belmont Stakes. The owners regretted the error stating that when they asked for a change of jockeys they were asking for clean underwear.



Even the normally unrestrained Depravda editing staff is uncomfortable speculating what might be going on in this photo. They do however suspect that the activity is illegal in all fifty states with the possible exception of Utah.

We think America would be better off with people like this behind bars. And not the kind that serve draft beer either...

PAUL KONDIS PRESENTS... Rotisserie League '99

Well, the planning for the 1999 Ye Olde Losere Rotisserie League All-Stare game is under way, with Charlottesville expressing the most interest in hosting by sending in their rejection notice after everyone else did. They were also wondering what everyone was looking at. But they finally got into the spirit of the whole Loserfest at the All-Star Game, agreeing to let the League build a stadium as long as they promised to tear it down again when they were quite through. The League, meanwhile, saw what the sports collectible market was like, and hopes to make a tidy profit by auctioning the stadium off after the game, perhaps even to the highest bidder. All of the planning is made easier due the current Commissar, as the position continues to remain vacant.

Charlottesville hotel rooms are being snapped up by Losers, prompting the City Council to enact an entertainment tax on all Loser activities. This is complicated by the fact that, being Losers, they are easily entertained, and the City Council has had trouble levying a tax on "flapping your gums." Blueberries and other small fruit have been outlawed for the weekend, as there have been rumors that both Jennifer Hart and Steve Dudzik were going to show up, whether they were voted onto the All-Star teams or not. Of course, the fact that they are owners means that they are invited, but in the past this has not stopped them from attending.

Part of All-Star weekend will be a tour of UVa, which, as we all know, is that thing that hangs down in the back of your mouth. The preferred method of touring is by inner tube, due to all the saliva, so all are requested to dress accordingly - wear tube tops and tube socks, all you tubular belles. Also on the agenda is Monticello, which, coincidentally is also on the back of a nickel, for those of you who think it is difficult to be in two places at once.

Anyway, this year's All-Star break promises to be a humdinger, if only because we think we have written enough to fill up the space.

Dumm dee dumm dumm....

<clearing throat>

<cough,... cough>

Is this still on?

That ought to about do it. Yep, done. Completed. Finito. Fin.

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Dave Zarrow welcomes the babes to the 1999 Flushie awards.

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June '99

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First timers kindly RSVP to the publisher (see info box to your left)

July Brunch

The NRARS July Brunch has been cancelled due to a conflict with the 4th of July holiday. We regret any inconvenience, but not a whole lot.

August BBQ:

The August brunch will actually be an afternoon barbeque and to make matters even more confusing it will be held on a Saturday in July.

SATURDAY JULY 31st

**4:30 pm until the police chase us out
Maja's Place in New Carrollton, Md.**

Chez Maja Keech et al

R.S.V.P.

(M-F) or

(anytime)

or

See the July Depravda for directions.