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Look Ahead

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July 23	#5 production night
July 27	#5 hits the stands
MGC Events	
July 13	Niagara Falls Roadtrip
July 24	End-of-Term Pub
Math Faculty	
July 27	Last day of lectures
July 30	Beginning of examination period
August 11	End of exams (it's over, kids!)
Cinema Gratis	
July 17	Honey, I Shrunk the Kids (short) The Cat Came Back
Fed Hall	
July 12	The Ramones (tickets available last week)

SOC TOC

Howdy folks. Lots of things have been happening in the Pink Tie Zone (and still more are planned). Hope you've worn your neon shirts, since spotters are on location today awarding prizes. You may be lucky.

Everyone had a grand time at the Canada Day celebrations, thanks to those who volunteered. A special thanks to Vicki since she organized MathSoc's part of the shebang. We'd also like to congratulate the winners at the BombShelter Pub on June 22nd:

Darts: 1. Stephen MacKay, 2. Sludge; **Jello Snorfelling:** Guy: Mike Hotchin, Gal: Shelly Ruth (all comments intentionally withheld); **Musical Chairs:** Michele Evans; **Balloon Stomp:** well, they didn't tell us who won; **Orange Toss:** Motley Crew (Tom, Kelly, Chris, etc.); **Shuffleboard:** 1. Paul Trudell and Roger Tudor, 2. Peter Zettler and August Wehrmann.

Okay, what the heck's coming up... Friday is mini-putting at Bingeman Park, Beach Trip is planned to Grand Bend for Sunday, July 15th, Go-carting is July 21st. Believe it or not, the end of term has approached, and we plan to end it with a bang. Stupid People Tricks at Fed Hall is MathSoc's End of Term Pub on July 27th.

Come check out the 3rd floor hallway. Our Campus Source board is final up and looking rather snazzy.

Now, on to Council Meeting stuff. Meetings will be held on July 18th and 25th at 4:30; location is yet to be announced. Watch for posters in MC. Everyone is welcome.

Shelly Ruth, President
Marc Boudreau, Vice-President
Peter Zettler, Treasurer

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MGC Update

Well, Math grads, are we having a great summer or what ??? We've had three main events so far, (plus a few impromptu gatherings at the 'Shelter) all of them successful. Extreme fun was had at the first Casey's pub; total enjoyment (and inebriation!) was achieved at the Boat Racing Competition and a cheering good time was present for the Blue Jays road trip. Those of you who haven't had the pleasure of joining us yet, you still have two chances left.

Today (Friday the 13th, no bad luck, I promise) is the all-new Niagara Falls Road Trip. That's right, we're going over the river (OTR) to enjoy Canadian money at par and cheap drinks. Tickets are going like crazy for \$10.00 each.

To end the endless excitement of this erotic summer term (!), we're having an end of term pub on Tuesday, July 24 at the Bombshelter. Events will be held, such as shuffleboard and dart tourneys, bubble hockey and much more! Show up for another crazed attempt at fun for the summer.

Also, keep taking those crazy candid photos so that you and your friends will be in the yearbook. Hand all pictures to MC 3042, the MGC office (in case you didn't know!)

Hope to see you there tonight! Don't forget to bring valid ID (eg. driver's license) and 2 dimes (to go over the border).

Marilyn
MGC Social Director
("I organize d***king!")

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Dr. Henrik Svensson and Inga

The famous Swedish sexologists discuss your problems in front of the entire university population

Dear Dr. Svensson and Inga:

My girlfriend is a tool bearer and she refuses to remove her hood. I can deal with her muscular physique and hairy legs, but this is beginning to bother me. What can I do?—DUMB ENGINEER FROSH

Dear Dumb Engineer Frosh:

Not much, apparently. We give the same advice to you that we give all engineers—forget the girls, just stick with the hamsters. [Get off the hamsters, please.—Ed.]

Dear Dr. Svensson and Inga:

I am a graduate student here and I have just received some very disturbing news. A recent newsletter being passed around states that activity posters displaying breasts have now been banned at the University of Waterloo. Is this true?—CONCERNED

Dear Concerned:

Yes, we are afraid you are correct. The rule is based on a recent proposal put forth by WPIRG, who have conducted studies and discovered that breasts can be used far more efficiently to promote the use of recyclable materials.

Dear Dr. Svensson and Inga:

I find it very hard to enjoy myself during sex. I just feel so self-conscious.—ASHAMED

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UNNGH! The Math Barbarian

The Trouble With Trouble -

Part III : The Search For Part II

Here we go again, people!

Seeing as how the full story of UNNGH's origin was dealt with in Part II, which has gone missing, we'll pick up where we left off last time

Picture, if you will, a barbarian. He's currently in a crumbly, shoddy building. He's not having a wonderful time right now, as he's in danger of being squashed by the building. In a moment, we'll discover what happens, as the barbarian has crossed the fine line between sanity and absurdity. That infinitesimal boundary that separates conglomeration from coagulation, degradation from defenestration, Istanbul from Constantinople, stagnation from syncopation and megalomania from acute insomnia. That fine, fine, line that keeps most of us out of a Klein Bottle of Existence where substance slam-dances with shadow upon a Moebius Strip whilst Sartre looks and laughs . . . a place we affectionately refer to as . . . yes, it's the Twilight Zone. Anyways . . . on with the show! (UNNGH! GO ON! ME LIKE LONG PARAGRAPH WITH BIG WORDS! GIVE ME MORE TIME TO BE UNNGH! AND BE NOT CRUSHED!) Anyways . . . here we go! Recall : UNNGH! was trapped in this crummy, cruddy, crumbly building while that wizened, shrouded figure looked on in glee. Well, actually, at this point the building is only kind of wobbly . . . UNNGH! GOOD!). . . but soon, dear reader! Soon, UNNGH! will be in a desperate battle for his life, his

"I've got you now, UNNGH!" cried the wizened, shrouded figure.

"UNNGH! WHO YOU?" asked UNNGH!

"Your arch-enemy!! Hahahaha!! I'm . . ."

"UNNGH! WHAT ARCH-ENEMY?"

"What??? I'm your nemesis! Your foe! Your adversary! I'm the one who constantly engages you in battle!"

"UNNGH! ME NO GET!"

"You fool! I am your evil opposite! I hate you and you hate me! I stand for everything you sit down for! I write the songs that make the whole world sing! I shot the sheriff!"

"UNNGH! BUT YOU NO SHOOT DEPUTY!"



"I am woman, hear me roar! I am a rock, I am an island! I got the whole world in my hands!"

"UNNGH! MAKE ME SICK! WHO YOU?"

"Who am I???? I'm Jean Valjean!!"

"UNNGH! YOU STEAL DONUTS!"

"Of course I did! And I'm going to kill you! Hahahahahahahahaha-hahahaha!! The Ridgid Fool always squashes his math barbarian!!"

"UNNGH! RIDGID FOOL NO SPEAK ENGLISH GOOD, TOO!"

"But at least I'll be able to speak, once I've unleashed my ultimate instrument of destruction, doomsday and death upon you! A gadget so hideous and vile that it somewhat makes me shiver me timbers with glee!! And I call it . . . Maria!"

WOW! WHAT A PREDICAMENT! WILL UNNGH! SURVIVE THE RIDGID FOOL'S ONSLAUGHT? CAN THE RIDGID FOOL GET AWAY WITH A DEED SO DASTARDLY HE'LL PROBABLY WIN THE 'SNIDLEY WHIPLASH AWARD FOR NASTINESS' IF IT SUCCEEDS? YOU DECIDE!! SIMPLY SUBMIT YOUR RESPONSE IN THE BLACK BOX: "UNNGH!" IF YOU WANT UNNGH! TO LIVE, OR "TOAST!" IF YOU WANT TO SEE UNNGH! SKOOSHED INTO NOTHINGNESS!!! BE HERE NEXT ISSUE TO FIND OUT WHAT HAPPENS TO OUR BELOVED AND INTREPID HERO!

(UNNGH! HELP... ME... SPOCK!! KLATTU BARADA NIKTO!!)

The Gods (who else?)

Top Ten Stupid Answers

10. She's got a great personality.
9. False.
8. (D)
7. No f**king idea!
6. No, the drugs aren't mine, officer.
5. The answer is intuitively obvious.
4. The alt. groups were dropped because of budget cuts.
3. I thought his head was a baseball.
2. I swear to God. I never touched him/her.
1. The log of the Poisson Distribution evaluated between today and tomorrow unless tomorrow is the day after today (today \geq 0).

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Math Trek

Captains log, mathdate 3624.36

I and the rest of the bridge crew have ventured out into the MC in search of signs of life. Preferably female life with long flowing hair, even longer legs, and measurements that only a mathie can truly appreciate.

"Captain. The tricorder is picking up signs of goddess like female lifeforms in the direction of the Engineering complex." said Spurge.

"I thought I told you to get that fixed!" said Kirkhoff.

"Sorry Captain." said Schwartz, hitting his tricorder and taking another reading. "There are no signs of female activity within range."

"Hell. Alright, lets move out and keep your eyes peeled."

The band had barely cleared the math building doors when the sound of shouting reached their ears.

"C'ptain, the sound of shouting has reached my ears." said Markov.

"Keep up with the narrative, you idiot."

"Tool. Tool. Tool..." said the shouters.

"Damn. Its de Klingon engineering heathen scum from hell." whispered Markov.

Spurge looked hurt.

"Watch what you say, Markov, Spurge is one third Engineer." warned Kirkhoff.

"Oh. Sorry... ONE THIRD??!!!"

"Engineer mating practices leave something to be desired." said Spurge.

"O.k. Shut up and spread out. Calculators on stun."

The tool bearers moved closer. "Tool. Tool. Tool..."

"Sir." whispered Markov "Sensors show they are cloaked, but somet'ing is different..."

At that moment the bearers moved into sight.

"They're wearing, snicker, coveralls! Ahahaahaaha" howled Markov.

"They look like George Uttley from Newhart!. HoHoHaHeeHee."

The heroic crew was paralyzed with mirth. The Engineers were moving closer. Could this be the end?...

Of course not; Spurge's intense shame at being even one third Engineer overcame his hysteria. He whipped out his HP48-SX and mapped the attackers' topology onto a point. They disappeared into a universe that only a mathie can comprehend.

Will the crew ever find the women of their dreams?

Not if they stay on campus.

Will there be a 'Wrath of Konig'?

Not likely.

Will I end this story in a cliff-hanger like everyone else does?

MacGyver

Math Hysteria Soars in Scunt

Madame Tarot's predictions become reality as math team takes third place

As the clock struck 4:00 on a rainy Friday afternoon (last June 22), the 'around-the-world' scunt commenced, with nine engineering teams and a lone math team competing for ultimate supremacy in the art of retrieval. Twenty-two exhausting hours later, our home faculty team who labelled themselves 'Math Hysteria' celebrated a well-earned third-place finish, falling short to only WHAT (1B Systems Design) and Civivors.

The 'Math Hysteria' team certainly endured a night of bizarre, challenging events, which ranged from 'Fag Football' (no explanation necessary), to the serving of drinks on Parliament Hill, to table dancing at Fed Hall (in which a certain ediwitch, who shall remain nameless, participated). Of course, special mention must be made in reference to the biggest item retrieved, namely the four-metre square truck warning sign 'borrowed' from Highway 401, close to the 400. All in all, 'Math Hysteria' gave a first-class performance on this night, resulting in only two arrests (including an anonymous VP, who may or may not deny existing photographs of him being frisked).

Congratulations to the team members: Marc Boudreau, Rene Gourley, Dave Smith, Niall Sweeney, Kirsten Nelson, Christine Chambers, Phil Nicolle, Jeff Zado, Simon Tam, Rob Armstrong, Rich Kaethler, Jeff Hornby, Phil Bondy, Mike Rutherford, Rob Bell, Mike Reade, Michelle Robb, Jen Anderson, R. Gordon Schmidt, Mary Diemert, Harvey Rook, Dave Kouhi, Connell McCluskey, Leon Hsu, Craig Hughes, Rob Ahyong, Barb Torner, Ian Klinck, Dale Woolridge, Warren Stevens, Kim Peel, Adam Hotchin, Steve Schroeder, Penny Watt, Dave Weil, Rob Del Mundo, Karen Smith, Dean Gaudet and Jenny, and Mark Patchett.

Our apologies to any omissions or misspelled names.

Congratulations again to Math Hysteria. Look for this team to finish first next year!

Stupid Thought of the Decade

If there's a hole in the ozone layer, how come heating bills keep going up?

The Medieval Gladiator

Stupid Thought of the Century

Imp' tint

The Medieval Gladiator

La Commentary

In recent months we have been exposed to a new low in beer advertising. I speak of none other than La beer ads. by La-batts.

Now, being a reasonable person I thought I'd have a talk with the people in charge and see if we couldn't improve these La insulting, La sexist, La-nnoying advertisements. I announced myself to La secretary, who said La boss was in La meeting. La boss then walked in and exposed La secretary's La lie. I confronted La manager and told him how I felt. He said he didn't give La crap and told me to take La hike before he called La security. I pulled out La Uzi and disemboweled La twig.

I then moved on to La brewery, mowing down La advertising department on La way, and blew the whole place to La La land with La plastique.

La MacGyver

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Stupid Thought of the Year

New Kids on the Block

The Wiz.

Stupid Thought of the Week

Meech Lake

The Medieval Gladiator

Stupid Thought of the Day

Tape decks that rewind both sides at the same time

The Hedonist

Stupid Thought of the Hour

One-Hour Happy Hour

the snark

Stupid Thought of the Minute

Five-Minute Happy Hour

The Medieval Gladiator

Stupid Thought of the Second

Uh...

The Medieval Gladiator

Vapid Fire

- With 70% of Quebequois wanting to separate from Canada, President Yogi Bush stated in a news conference "... well Boo-Boo, you can live with us and get great snacks and picnic baskets". Boo-Boo Bourassa was almost speechless, since all he could mutter was "Gee, Yogi. I hope Ranger Mulroney doesn't catch us".
- After singing "When Irish Eyes are Smiling" with Ronald Reagan, Brian Baloney wants to share the magic moment with George Bush. Plans are in the works for the two to sing "The Rodeo Song" while at the Economic Summit in Texas.
- With the ethics expert leaving U(W) and nobody replacing him, university transactions will be performed unethically. In other words, it's business as usual.
- With a summer filled with movie sequels, Hollywood studios have agreed to produce only sequels. I.M.A. Duffus, a spokesperson for Cannon Films stated during a press conference "... well, studies show that audiences don't want to think during movies. We figure that if the screenwriter and director doesn't have to think to make a movie, then neither should the audience." To prove their seriousness, Heaven's Gate II, Ishtar II, and Howard the Duck II are in production.

The Procrastinator
with help from the Monday evening typing pool

MastHead

Bang a Gong! Get it On! As that classic song pumps over the airwaves and into the mathNEWS production night headquarters, our devoted staffers strive endlessly into the wee hours of Tuesday morning so as to produce yet another fun-filled issue of U(W)'s greatest publication. With no further ado, we'd like to thank all of those who contributed to this latest installment of a seemingly endless chain of profoundly entertaining issues. Here they are, along with their favourite purity test questions:

Mike Reade (Have you ever succeeded at committing suicide?), Rick McTavish (Have you ever acted out the part of Frank Booth?), Lori Boomgaardt (Anything with a bed in it), Stephen Sproule (Have you seen the movie Mondo New York?), Marco Koechli (What are the first 68?), Bill McEachern (Are you blind yet?), Phil Rittenhouse (Have you ever had a sexual encounter with a Hanna-Barbera character? [Smurfs count for two points]), Caryn Babstock (Have you ever linked lists or rooted squares?), Christina Caldarelli (Have you ever made a pyramid?), Harvey Rook (How many positions do you know? [not counting the missionary]), Don Marks (Have you every danced with a snark in the pale moonlight?), Betty-Jo Hill (Have you ever been asked 'What is your favourite purity test question?'), Kevin Santosuosso (Can we have your liver?), John Thoms (Are you prone to cold sores or other herpes symptoms?), Scammer (Have you ever met a member of the opposite sex?), Jim Lai (Have you ever been demonstrated against by a national organization? How many times?), Leon Hsu (Purity Test? Oh, that's the one I got 38% on!), and Kevin Takahashi (Do you go, eh? Do you go? Wink, wink, nudge, nudge, say no more!)

Also thanks to Marion at Graphic Services, Gino's Pizza, and of course, to 97.7 for playing "Bang a Gong! Get it On!", "I Wanna Be Sedated - THE RAMONES!!", and "American Pie".

Two weeks and counting, guys and gals; that is the time between now and the term's final mathNEWS issue, and also the time between now and the LAST DAY OF CLASSES!

See you then.

The Sedated Ediduo

Karen Smith (Have you ever taken LSD while watching TMNT?)
Rob Del Mundo (Have you ever played 'hangman' from the ceiling?
[with or without harness])

How **Stupid** can you be ?

We'll be the judge.

MathSoc presents

Stupid People Tricks

FedHall July 27th

If you can do any stupid tricks, pick up an entry form in the Fed office, or the MathSoc office MC3038

Prof Bingo

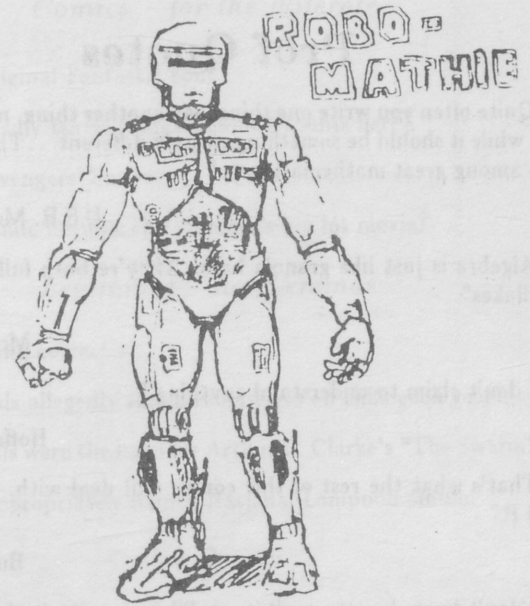
Hey kids, bored with lectures? Not having any fun? Well Prof Bingo is here to save the day. The rules are simple: Tear up that copy of Imp'rint that's lying on the floor to make your tokens and choose one of the cards printed below. You are now ready to begin playing Prof Bingo!

Listen to your Prof very carefully (trust me it gets better) and when he says one of the phrases on the card cover that square with a token. When you have five tokens in a horizontal, vertical, or diagonal row jump up and yell "BINGO!" (Go on, be brave.) If you are the first person to say "BINGO!" you win.

To add a little variety to the game and improve your chances of winning, you can make up your own cards and even customise them to specific profs (eg. If you had Honsberger you would include squares with "who's glad they came?" or "...like my wife...").

So go out and have a good time. Have a tournament. Shower with a friend. Award fabulous prizes. Shower with a friend. Play ten cards at once. Shower with a friend. Make teams. Shower with a penguin.

-MacGyver



'Assume this is true'	'I don't like the textbook'	'Blah, blah, blah, blah'	'Anyone? Anyone?'	'The rest is algebra'
'I did that to see if you were paying attention'	'It can be shown that ...'	'I won't get mad if you correct me'	'Ignore what I just wrote'	Any Insult to Engineers
'Obvious by symmetry'	'Ummmm...'	FREE	'Does everyone understand?'	'I've forgotten my lecture notes'
'The midterm marks weren't as high as they should have been'	'They changed the course around'	'Once you've done this you're done'	'By Inspection...'	'Does anyone understand?'
'This can be done in your head'	'You won't be asked to do anything this hard'	'Don't quote this in mathNEWS'	'You don't need to know this'	'The rest of the problem is trivial'

'The rest is algebra'	'By Inspection...'	'Any questions?'	'Recall that...'	'It can be shown that ...'
'Don't quote this in mathNEWS'	'Ignore what I just wrote'	'You don't need to know this'	'Where is everyone?'	'Assume this is true'
'This isn't part of the course'	'You learned this last term'	FREE	'Anyone? Anyone?'	'This weekend you should'
'I'm getting to that'	'Blah, blah, blah, blah'	'You won't be asked to do anything this hard'	'I don't know'	'The rest of the problem is trivial'
'I don't like the textbook'	'I did that to see if you were paying attention'	'Oops. I made a mistake way back here'	'I won't get mad if you correct me'	'I claim ...'

'Assume this is true'	'By Inspection...'	'This weekend you should'	'The midterm marks weren't as high as they should have been'	'I won't get mad if you correct me'
'Does anyone understand?'	'I did that to see if you were paying attention'	'This isn't part of the course'	'...but I have to follow the course outline'	'The rest is algebra'
'Does everyone understand?'	Any Insult to Engineers	FREE	'You don't need to know this'	'Recall that...'
'Ummmm...'	'It can be shown that ...'	'Obvious by symmetry'	'I don't like the textbook'	'Blah, blah, blah, blah'
'Correct me if I make a mistake'	'When I was a student ...'	'The rest of the problem is trivial'	'You learned this last term'	'I've forgotten my lecture notes'

'Ignore what I just wrote'	'Once you've done this you're done'	'Anyone? Anyone?'	'Oops. I made a mistake way back here'	'You don't have to write this'
'It can be shown that ...'	'Don't quote this in mathNEWS'	Any boring story of their home life	'I won't get mad if you correct me'	'The rest is algebra'
'When I was a student ...'	'I don't know'	FREE	'They changed the course around'	'Can I answer that question later?'
'ummmm...'	'You learned this last term'	'You won't be asked to do anything this hard'	'This can be done in your head'	'I claim ...'
'I've forgotten my lecture notes'	'Any questions?'	'I'm getting to that'	'Blah, blah, blah, blah'	'Ignore what I just said'

Prof Quotes

"Quite often you write one thing, say another thing, mean something else, while it should be something entirely different. . . That's quite common among great mathematicians."

U.S.R. Murty., C&O 350

"Algebra is just like granola bars. They're both full of fruits, nuts and flakes"

McGee, Math 138

"I don't claim to understand anything."

Hoffman, Math 136

"That's what the rest of this course will deal with. How to find a good P."

Burris, Math 145

"I don't know how to spell it, so I'll just write it sloppy so you all can spell it correctly when you write it down."

Audas, Phy 122

"Students who are not lost yet usually get lost at this point."

Moskal, Math 136

"I was advised that I could get into trouble if I photocopy these and give them to you, so my way around this is to put them in the library and let you photocopy them and get into trouble."

Hewitt, Math 138

"... this is useless; let me give you infinitely many examples."

Moskal, Math 136

"What's the determinant of a squirrel?"

Davis, Pmath 336

"The non-real d's; the ones that play lousy music."

Hoffman, Pmath 344

"... someone would have to be blamed; that's when we look for engineers."

VanEvra, Phil 140

"Anybody have the course outline? What am I supposed to do next?"

Moskal, Math 136

"Its like we've got this infinite piece of paper."

Hewitt, Math 138

"Some of it (the material taught today) will be on the midterm. . . No, I want to be a bit vaguer than that."

Godsil, C&O 350

Stupid Thought of the Millenium

Rap Music (hey, it's oxymorom of the infinitude too!)

The entire mathNEWS staff



The Real-Time Crash

with apologies to Bobby 'Boris' Pickett

I was working in the real-time lab late one night
When my eyes beheld an eerie sight
The train on the track, it began to roll
And suddenly went out of control

(And then it crashed)
It was a real-time crash

(A real-time crash)
It blew up with a flash
(The real-time crash)

My head against the wall I did bash
(The real-time crash)
It was a real-time crash

As smoke poured from the train
I began to scratch my brain
When I signed up for this course
Was I temporarily insane?

So if you're entering your 4A term
And decide you want to crash and burn
I'll tell you right now, what you should do
Just sign up for CS 452

(And then you'll crash)
You'll do the real-time crash
(The real-time crash)

This train's a piece of trash
(The real-time crash)
Real-time student want to smash!
(The real-time crash)
Do the real-time crash

Janice and Terry are already done?
It seems my assignment's just begun
And after 30 hours without any sleep
I'll find a new use for my rubber dart gun

Now everything's cool, the kernel's keeping time
And it has the most beautiful serial line
But when I download it and give it a try
The train explodes and I start to cry

(Why did it crash?)
Why did it real-time crash?
(The real-time crash)
My marks have turned to ash
(The real-time crash)
Let's give the T.A. some cash
(Some real-time cash)
Doing the real-time crash!

Wah-ooh, Wah-Wah-Wah-ooh, . . .

mathNEWSquiz

Rumbling Responses Batman! We got 4 submissions for the squiz this week. Just think, that's infinitely more than last time. This is unbelievable. The mathies have finally shown their intelligence. All four trivia buffs were unable to answer the Dr. Seuss questions. Unreal!! Just so the rest of you mortals can worship them and their great feats of intellectual agility here are their names and scores:

- darc: 8 (out of 24)
- Stephanie Rayko and Diane Kaebel: 7
- FAISAL: 6
- Twisted Pig F*cker: 5
- (boy, they didn't do so well did they?)

Congratulations to darc. You can pick up your prize in MathSoc, MC 3038.

Oh well, here are the answers to some of the more exciting questions.

1. 6060-849
2. Rocky Mountain Motherf*cker
3. Who cares?
4. Ironweed & Heartburn
5. Allen Konningsberg
6. The answer here is irrelevant, as we all know that it's style that counts.
7. Diane Keaton
8. (Any Woody Movie, Zelig's my favourite)
9. National League
10. Judge Landis
11. I don't believe nobody got this one. There were 5 of them.
12. (Any Major League team, Jay's have my vote)
13. Stand - by REM (NOT The Box)
14. We Didn't Start the Fire - Billy Joel
15. Paradise By the Dashboard Light - Meatloaf
16. Sledgehammer - Peter Gabriel
17. Glenn, Shepard, Carpenter, Grissom, Cooper, Schirra and whats-his-name
18. Mir
19. 435 (or so, those guys in red kept dying off)
20. Not ours. (So I don't remember my constellations. It's late.)
21. Theodore Geisel
22. Theodore Geisel
23. Theodore Geisel
24. Theodore Geisel (not that easy after all eh?)

Ok, here, for your own private enjoyment, are this issue's questions:

Books - who wrote the following?

1. Red Storm Rising
2. St. Urbain's Horsemen
3. The Secret Agent
4. The Grapes of Wrath

Comics - for the illiterate

5. Name the original Fantastic Four.
6. Name those silly turtle things (spelling counts here).
7. Name the Avengers' butler.
8. What old comic became this summer's big hit movie?

Lemmings - not Lemmas

9. Spell Lemming correctly.
10. What animals allegedly throw themselves off cliffs each year?
11. What animals were the basis for Arthur C. Clarke's "The Swarm"?
12. Name the appropriately named National Lampoon album.

Pot Pourri

13. What is the "House that Ruth Built"?
14. Name 3 famous Canadian Normans.
15. What is the current definition of one foot as a unit of distance?
16. Who was Playboy's first centrefold? Who is their latest?

Ok, that's that. Good luck. Now that we're getting submissions maybe we'll get some bribes (hint hint). Hey, let's try and pass (i.e. get over 50%) this time. Let's also say something that will make this paragraph even less connected than it already is. Oh for a lemon meringue pie! Remember Luke, use the BLACK BOX.

The Gods

Ultra Classifieds

D'nar:
Thou hast served us well once again. The pawns, as always, suspect nothing.

Istus

HP 9000 Lovecraft:
The power of the Darken King
Did drive us through the night
And to our hearts dismay
We did arrive at Tower Tragedite.

Bane

Thanks to everybody who participated in my poll, especially R.D., M.A., E.C., E.L., T.L., T.M., and W.G.

A.M.L.

Here are the results: the B-Mer beat the G-Heap by a total of 10 to 6. So, I'm gonna keep it.

A.M.L.

Half of what I say is meaningless. So I sing the song of love for Julia (Roberts, a.k.a. Pretty Woman.)

Rob the edidude, with influence from John Lennon

To: Julie Lee (in Ottawa)
Happy 21st Birthday Jules! Will you have my children ???

With much love, hugs and kisses;
Jake. xoxox

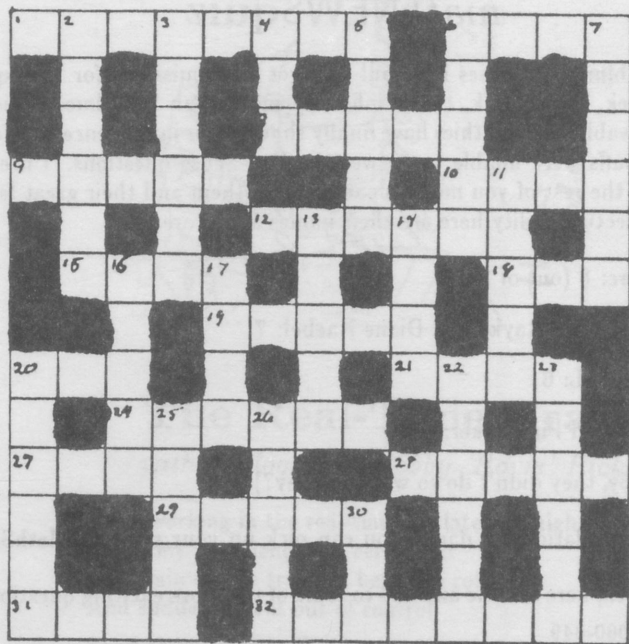
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Hallo Gridsters. This is the second Grid of the season, and bigger and better than the last one. This one has got two, count em, two themes, one for each. In fact, no one got the theme from last time, although there were two successful completions. Congratulations to the "Judy Vicars" and "darc", and double congratulations to the "Judy Vicars" who is (are?) the official winners, and can come to MathSoc to pick up his/her/its/their prize. Both these contestants did the cryptic, so there is no winner for the conventional. Ah well. Anyway, the theme was, in fact, Dire Straits. No bonus there, no one got it.

Now for this week's. Again we have a cryptic and a conventional, with a theme for both. Bonus points for getting them. And enjoy. Submit your submissions to the mathNEWS BLACK BOX.

Katrianna
the snark
and Kelvin, for setting up the Mac

Mr. Death
The Harvmonster
Caryn



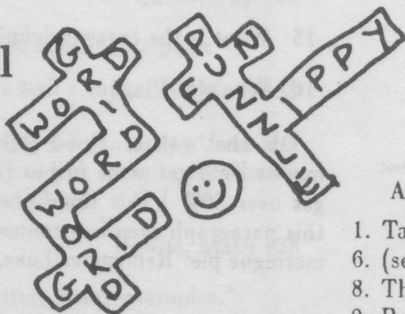
Conventional

Across

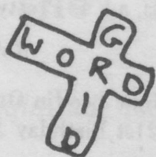
1. Guinevere's champion.
6. There - - - - the neighbourhood.
8. The large bone of the lower leg.
9. Familiar talks.
10. The coloured part of the eye.
12. High pitch control.
15. In the mouthpiece of a saxophone or bassoon.
18. She laid down the - - - .
19. Knights of the - - - - table.
20. Much - - - about nothing.
21. Every individual.
24. The knob on a sword.
27. Did grow.
28. He "flattens his clothes with heat and metal."
29. A small bar of metal.
31. A symbol of marriage.
32. Gallantry.

Down

2. King - - - - - of the - - - - table.
3. The rook of a chess game.
4. Turned on the candle.
5. To present or - - - - a budget.
6. The cup that Jesus drank from.
7. - - - - - Marjory daw, Jack ...
11. Old artifact.
13. A scoundrel, a game.
14. Wait.
16. To marry secretly.
17. 60 grains or 1/8 of an ounce.
20. One who fishes.
22. The dark continent.
23. To love - - - - - and obey.
25. To be in debt.
26. Black - - - - - .
30. Objective you (in French.)



Name: _____
Comment: _____
Favourite Friday the 13th movie: _____



Cryptic Clues

forgive me, london times

Across

1. Tariffs will tire skimmed nation (8)
6. (see 19 Across)
8. Three-quarters of following god is window-dressing (5)
9. Bovid? Dweeb is one (5)
10. Band noise (4)
12. Let go of mangled Attila, etc. (6)
15. No secret, it's right in front of you (4)
18. Her right as a human (3)
19. Ho! I rob Don! (5,4)
20. Imp'tint dishcloth (3)
21. Medieval fables can (4)
24. Tell girl's beau (6)
27. Forbid 2.7182818, the curse (4)
28. Headless beetles are desert dwellers (5)
29. Rational me in the distance looks like a monk (5)
31. Headless draft floats (4)
32. Band's haven is her wooden home (8)

Down

2. Neural bio-net carries wolf's sword (6)
3. Projectiles mangle choice battles (6)
4. Angry half of Eire (3)
5. V's not cheap (5)
6. Mix her an' hunter god (5)
7. Blind reading is threat (6)
11. Moral: me give cards (5)
13. Duke: snob; leader (5)
14. Name man? Naw (4)
16. Heart pipes (5)
17. Name her? I can't! (4)
20. R & B robe steals the show (6)
22. Second dart hits king's grave (6)
23. My robe for a child (6)
25. Adjstment to shifting flaming cross (5)
26. Stubbly stubby chairs (5)
30. Golden fish eggs (3)