

Who says college must be boring?



This fountain of youth will make you feel like a kid again.

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ACE COMBAT 04: SHATTERED SKIES
System: PlayStation 2
Publisher: Namco
Available: Now

Getting into "Ace Combat 04: Shattered Skies" takes a little time, but the mix of realism and arcade play, along with a well-told story, give Namco's flight simulator instant appeal. "AC04" moves without glitches and includes stunning visuals, and the terrific score and sound effects keep up the quality. The responsive controls feel appropriately rough, and the game plays extremely well despite the lack of any major sensation of speed. It's as good as flight simulation gets on a console so far, and "AC04's" accessibility and thoroughness make it a must-have for all flight sim fans.

X-MEN: REIGN OF APOCALYPSE
System: Game Boy Advance
From: Activision
Available: Now

"X-Men: Reign of Apocalypse" is a straight-up brawler in the tradition of "Final Fight One." What "Apocalypse" adds is the ability to choose from four heroes, each of which boasts a cache of special attacks capable of wiping out the high number of baddies that come at you at once. "Apocalypse" features some nice gameplay that is repetitive and sluggish at times but generally stays hot and fun. To top it off, a battery backup allows players to save progress and control defeated bosses in the two-player versus mode. "Final Fight One" still takes the cake as the Game Boy Advance's best brawler, but cautious X-Men fans should feel safe plunking down the cash for this one.

F1 2001
System: PlayStation 2
From: EA Sports
Available: Now

"F1 2001" toes the line between simulation and arcade game, pitting extremely simple controls and objectives against a slightly intimidating learning curve. Getting into "F1" is a breeze; mastering the game's dynamics and winning races will take time. The reward for such patience is huge: "F1" crams the entire 2001 season onto a disc with all tracks, racers and teams accounted for, piling on custom seasons, car tweaking and stat tracking for good measure. "F1" looks great, boasting multiple viewpoints and excellent weather effects as well as some awesome broadcast-quality sequences and replays. The sound lacks similar punch, and the addition of some form of commentary should be on top of the list of improvements for 2002. Nevertheless, "F1" is a tough, loaded racer that should please the sport's more dedicated fans.

DAVE MIRRA FREESTYLE BMX 2
Publisher: Acclaim Max Sports
Developer: Z-Axis

Available: Now for PlayStation 2, November for Gamecube and Xbox
PlayStation 2 gamers have been itching for a new extreme sports game, and "Dave Mirra Freestyle BMX 2" should tame that itch. The game offers many customizable features and a stunt engine that is a little glitchy but loads of fun. "Dave Mirra's" huge levels look and feel great, offering plenty of room for imagination without any slowdown or pop-up. The game's physics engine acts up at times but is nothing that can't be overcome with practice. The create-a-rider mode works nicely, the park editor is simply loaded, and the game's soundtrack is refreshingly diverse. "Dave Mirra's" has its share of glitches and shortcomings, but once you start playing, you'll wonder where the time went.



Aries (March 21-April 20) Social events will be easily disrupted this week. Over the next few days expect a sharp increase in last minute messages and revised group plans. Remain lighthearted.

Taurus (April 21-May 20) New friendships and light romance will add to your emotional wealth this week. Take a little extra time to explore fresh proposals or new activities.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) A fresh approach to love and long-term commitment will now bring renewed intimacy. Over the next few days expect your emotional resources to greatly increase.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) Private thoughts or family criticism may now play a key role in long-term romance. For the next few days many Cancerians will experience a shift of romantic priorities.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) Social duties may soon be complicated by past disagreements. Before Wednesday expect loved ones to ask for more of your time and attention. All is positive, so do not worry.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Late Tuesday, a colleague or work official may suddenly assign new projects or ask for help with complex decisions.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Confidence and workplace focus returns early this week. Watch for misinformed colleagues to soon rely heavily on your decisions or life experience.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21) Financial restrictions may become complicated early this week and then will be quickly resolved.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Romantic invitations may be difficult to resist over the next nine days. Expect subtle flirtations to be highly seductive.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 20) Business relations may change without warning this week. Expect a sudden expansion of ideas or assignments.

Aquarius (Jan. 21-Feb. 19) Rest, renewed strength and extra time spent with romantic partners will soon reaffirm your faith in human nature.

Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20) A recent disagreement with a friend or colleague may soon be revealed to be more complex than originally thought, information or controversial insights.

Kool Karl's Krazy Korner!

"Funny Nose"



Not long ago, I was invited to a party. I didn't know what kind of affair it was, but I was told it was "extra special."
Shortly after arrival, a girl approached me. She asked me if I wanted some coke. I politely declined, "No thanks, I prefer Pepsi."
The female looked at me strangely and I noticed she had white powder around her nose.
"Oh!" I exclaimed, "I know what kind of party this is now!" I wiped some of the white powder from her nose and tasted it.
Disgusted, I asked, "You call this a cooking party? Where the hell did you get this powdered sugar? It tastes terrible!"



Recipes for You!

Rich Caramel Pudding

Ingredients:

- 4 (14 ounce) cans sweetened condensed milk
- 4 pints heavy whipping cream
- 1 (4 ounce) jar maraschino cherries
- 1 cup chopped almonds

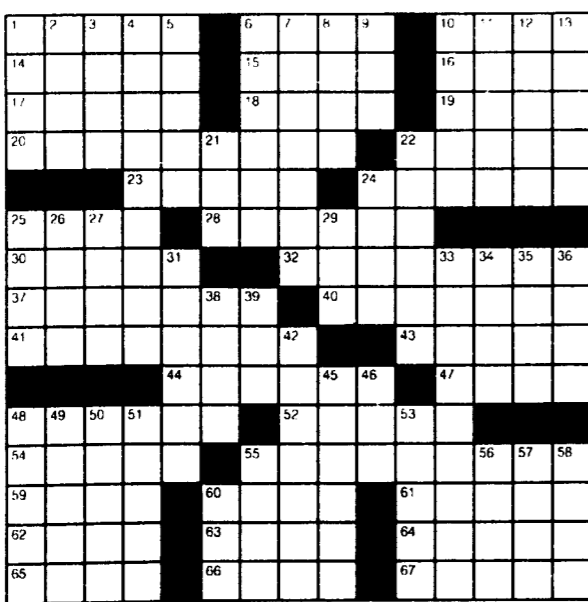
Preparation

Remove labels from cans of milk and put them unopened into a large pot of gently boiling water. Boil for about 3 hours. Make sure the water doesn't boil away or the cans will explode (or so I'm told).
After 3 hours, take the cans out and cool in fridge.
When chilled, open the cans and put the contents into a bowl.
Beat the whipping cream, and fold into the "caramel sauce" (cooked, cooled condensed milk). Mix in the nuts and cherries.

We want your recipes!
Send your submissions to behrcol15@aol.com.
Don't cop out and raid your mom's recipe box. We want recipes from college students, for college students!

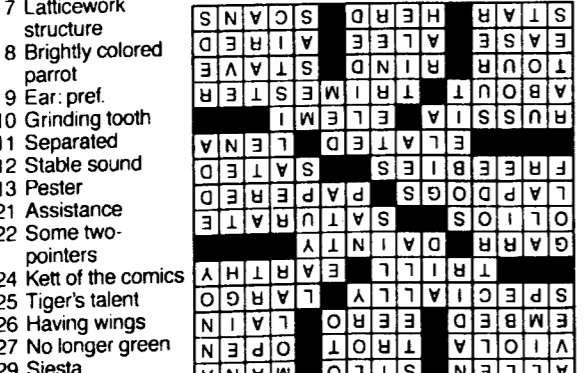
Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Mel or Woody
 - 6 Allied victory site of 1944
 - 10 Supernatural power
 - 14 String quartet member
 - 15 Dog or fox chaser?
 - 16 Bid first
 - 17 Fix firmly
 - 18 Elie Saarin's son
 - 19 Reclined
 - 20 In particular
 - 22 Key
 - 23 Warble
 - 24 Tellurian
 - 25 Actress Teri
 - 28 Overly fastidious
 - 30 Potpourris
 - 32 Soak
 - 37 Toadies
 - 40 Wrapped
 - 41 Complimentary items
 - 43 Cloyed
 - 44 Lure the spirits of
 - 47 A Horne
 - 48 "From ___ with Love"
 - 52 Varnish ingredient
 - 54 Concerning
 - 55 Three month period
 - 59 ___ of duty
 - 60 Orange coat
 - 61 Barrel part
 - 62 Relaxation
 - 63 On the calm side
 - 64 Exposed to the public
 - 65 Play lead
 - 66 Cattle collective
 - 67 Peruses
- DOWN**
- 1 St. crosses
 - 2 Walk with difficulty
 - 3 Ear part
 - 4 Current conductor
 - 5 Lowest point



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Solutions



Anyone caught stealing Karl's ideas will be attacked by rabid Yetis and then, after being mauled, they will be thrown into a pile of manure...face down. We welcome your humorous submissions. Send them to behrcol15@aol.com

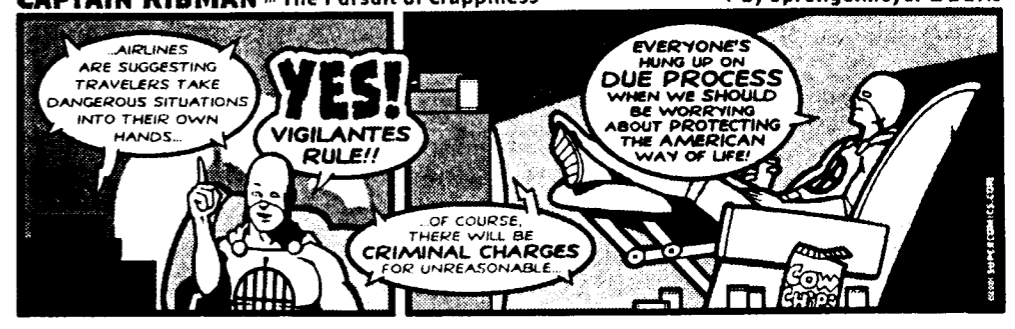
The Weekly Funnies

DITHERED TWITS by Stan Waling



"I knew your hip would go out if you KEPT ON DOIN' THAT!"

CAPTAIN RIBMAN in The Pursuit of Crappiness by Sprengelmeyer & Davis



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