

OUT OF ORDER

U. of New Mexico

Hello, is anyone there? A U. of New Mexico emergency phone was recently adorned with a memorandum reading: "Please do not get raped or otherwise attacked at, or near, this location. This Emergency phone has been inoperative since July. The UNM Police have been informed, but no action has been taken." This warning reaffirms a solid message for all students: If you plan to be attacked, please, by all means, bring a cellular phone.

WHAT'S UP(STREAM)?

U. of Nebraska

Something fishy was going on at Nebraska this fall: An unexplained giant fiberglass salmon appeared one morning illegally parked in front of the union. Turns out "Fin" is a walk-through display on a national tour to educate people about a House proposal that could endanger the Endangered Species Act. Fin had been parked legally, but some jokesters moved it to its new perch. How big was the fish, exactly? Oh, it was 10, no 15 — it was 100 feet long! Put up a helluva fight!

CALIFORNIA DRIVIN'

San Diego State U.

"On the road again." That's



CLOSE ENCOUNTERS

Harvard U.

Do space aliens and higher education mix? Not according to officials at Harvard. The dean of Harvard Medical School warned John Mack, professor of psychiatry, that his study of people who claim they were abducted by aliens needed a more scholarly approach. Mack, who believes aliens have "invaded our physical reality and [are] affecting the lives of hundreds of thousands, if not millions of people," was given the warning after a one-year investigation of his UFO work. The investigation began after Mack appeared on *Unsolved Mysteries* to promote his book, *Abduction: Human Encounters With Aliens*, about his treatment of 120 patients who say aliens abducted them for sexual experiments. And the Freudian explanation for this one...?

QUICKIES

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what San Diego State's Steve Lewis said 20 times to his trusty sidekick Monte as the two attempted to visit all 21 schools in the California State U. system in one day. The road warriors did manage to plant an SDSU pom-pom at every university, but it took them 30 hours to accomplish the feat. Undaunted, Steve and Monte have already planned their next excellent adventure, and this one will not be easy. They plan to watch every *Police Academy* movie in one sitting. Good luck and happy Guttenberg.

LA CROAK-ARACHA

Kansas State U.

The officers at Bugnet are baffled, as 40 exotic roaches from Madagascar were found dead at Kansas State's entomology department. The roaches, valued at \$15 per thorax, were poisoned. Another 35 are missing. The experts have bugged the laboratory, but the culprit seems to have six legs up on the authorities. The cost of the crime in toe tags alone is staggering. This is the first case of reported insecticide in the state of Kansas this year.

GO DIRECTLY TO CLASS

West Virginia U.

Whoever said college was all fun and

LOUNGE LIZARDS

U. of Iowa

Talk about space constrictions. While residence services was scrounging, UI students were lounging. Those who missed the housing sign-up deadline were temporarily placed in dorm lounges, where as many as 10 people stayed for \$2 a night. Right on the ball was the housing office, which put out a newspaper, *The Temporary Times*, with such articles as "Dealing with Loungemate Conflict." Bedtime must have been a blast: "Good night, John Boy." "Good night..."



board games was, er, right? At least it is for students in a West Virginia U. accounting class. Playing a revved-up version of Monopoly can amount to three credits toward graduation. Professors say the class is a lesson in organizing personal affairs and transactions and learning how to borrow and invest money. We know it's just an excuse to get Boardwalk and Park Place, those sneaks. Now, if they could just translate that Free Parking space to campus, we'd really be in business.

...AND COUNT-Y-ING

U. of Washington

John DeLeva has a dream. A weird dream, but a dream nonetheless. He wants to be the youngest person to visit all 3,086 counties in the United States. And he's nearly

finished. DeLeva's odyssey began in 1984 while he was a communications student at the U. of Washington. He made a bet with four of his fraternity buddies about who could travel to the most counties in 10 years. The winner was to receive an all-expenses paid trip to Heavenly, Calif. The losers would go to Hell. Hell, Mich., of course. Eleven years later, everyone else has bailed, but DeLeva is still trucking. He's currently on a 54-day, 23,260-mile cross-country trip to finish up the last few counties. After that, he'll swing up to Alaska and a few Northwest islands before settling down and writing a book. Heck, he's earned his wings.



has been rented by the school to house the class. The video game noises get frustrating after awhile, but it's not as bad as having to do your term paper in neon.

BAR EXAMS

Metropolitan State College of Denver

Dartboards replaced chalkboards for a group of students at Metropolitan State this semester. A lack of space forced the western civilization class to meet at an old local bar that

NO NEWS IS GOOD NEWS

U. of Virginia

Why didn't restaurants catch on to this years ago: If you get a bad review, go straight to the source... and hide it. That's what a food-service contractor did at UVA when the student newspaper ran a story titled "Beware of inedible horrors lurking in University's dining halls." John M. Darmstadt, a food-service manager, said he hid the papers because he didn't think the review was fair. The paper also gave the movie *Babe* a bad review — the newspaper office is preparing for a slop assault.

GO ON AND KISS THE CAR

U. of Missouri, Columbia

Gamma — or maybe *kismet* — led Mizzou junior Amy Wissman to a brand-new Ford Explorer this summer. Wissman puckered up for 82 hours (minus brief breaks to rest and eat) to win a contest sponsored by local radio station KISS 107 as part of the Coca-Cola Red-Hot Summer Celebration. Good thing the car wasn't a Peugeot or a Renault. You know the French.

DINOSAUR SIDE UP

North Carolina State U.

Scientists at NC State are clucking about the recent donation of four rare dinosaur eggs to the school. The eggs, sporting price tags of \$100,000 to \$1,000,000, are nothing to yolk about — they still have the dinosaur embryos intact. Researchers still haven't decided what to do with the eggs: dissect and study them, or make the world's most expensive omelet.



POOL SHARK

U. of Montana

Cue the scary music. Just when they thought it was safe to go to the movies, students at Montana were treated to a dip and a flick. A large projection screen featuring the movie *Jaws* was set up at the edge of the Grizzly pool, and students were invited to dive in and enjoy the film. Approximately 30 students got into the swim of things, and the cool temperature of the people-infested water didn't put a damper on the screening. As if movie beverages weren't watered down enough already. Yikes!