

HANDS UP OR WE'LL SQUIRT

Yale U.

Twenty-five Yalies clad in black grabbed Super Soakers, donned pantyhose masks and ambushed a high school Model United Nations session at a lecture hall. Posing as Irish Republican Army terrorists, the students occupied the room for 10 minutes — turning off lights, broomsticking the doors shut, throwing balls of paper and blowing cigarette smoke in the air. Before the cops showed up, the students blasted the British for "800 years of occupation in Ireland." All but one of the IRA poseurs got away. That student was arrested for disturbing the peace and fined \$25. Talk about night of the living ed.

BUS STOP GIG

U. of Georgia

Riding the campus bus was never much fun until U. of Georgia senior Brent Arrington took the wheel. It's always open—mike night on Arrington's "Karaoke Bus," where passengers can come to the front and strut their stuff. Arrington keeps a wide selection of tapes on hand — everything from "La Bamba" to the "Oscar Mayer Wiener Song" — but the Karaoke Bus isn't limited to musical acts, he says. "If you've got a joke or story, a dramatic monologue or just some issues you've got to work out, please come and share with us." But if you want to do stand-up, you still have to hold on to the safety handles.



FASHION VICTIMS

Kent State U., Ohio

Students in the Women's Movement Network at Kent State got catwalk-y over the spring fashion tryouts. They responded with signs, fliers and protests about the show's "unhealthy and discriminating" model requirements: Women had to fit sizes four through 10 and stand between 5-foot-9 and 6-foot-1. Visiting professor Morris Arrari, who is also a designer in Paris, didn't understand the hullabaloo. "Only in America do I see this nonsense. Designers look for an ideal that fits what they're designing for. What are we supposed to do, design clothes for fat people?" Nope, just real people.

QUICKIES

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WRITING MISSION: POSSIBLE

Carleton College, Minn.

After-hours emergencies pop up constantly on college campuses: flat tires, barroom brawls, falling out of dorm lofts and ... writer's block? At Carleton, writing assignments are life-and-death priorities, which is why the school has decided to keep a tutor on call who carries around a beeper for those writing emergencies. That's right — just dial a tutor with your split infinitives or run-on sentences, and they'll phone to your rescue. Wonder if they make in-class house calls?

IT'S IN THE BAG

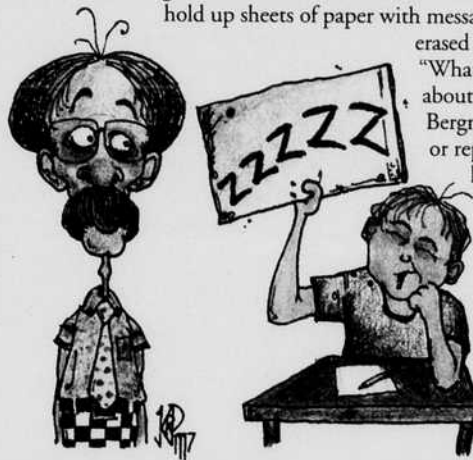
Kansas State U.

For Minh Tran, one of life's most pressing questions is "Paper or plastic?" The chemical engineering sophomore and Dillons Superstore employee is trying to take bagging groceries to new heights. Since winning the state bagging competition against a Price Chopper clerk, he's off to Houston to compete for the national title. To win, he must fully pack two paper and three plastic bags in as little as 30 seconds, taking note of weight, technique, appearance, distribution and speed. Now that's fast food.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES

U. of California, Berkeley

Remember when you used flash cards to learn math? Well, professor George Bergman is urging his multivariable calculus class to use flash cards during lectures to increase feedback. Baffled students can hold up sheets of paper with messages like, "You



erased too soon," or "What are you talking about?" That way, Bergman can slow down or repeat aspects of the lesson without much interruption. Upon writing "maximize xyz subject to $zzz+zyz+xy=12$," Bergman saw one student raise a flash card that said it all — "@#%&*!"

SPIN CYCLE

Humboldt State U., Calif.

Students at the Humboldt Campus Center for Appropriate Technology are putting the pedal to the Maytag to get their clothes Downy fresh. In an effort to make students healthy and environmentally conscious, 40-year old inventor Bart Orlando attached an exercise bike to a washing machine. He threw in a few pulleys, chains and sprockets and — *voilà* — clean laundry and a workout rolled into one. Maybe someday tags will read, "Wash by foot only."

BEEIDIES BABIES

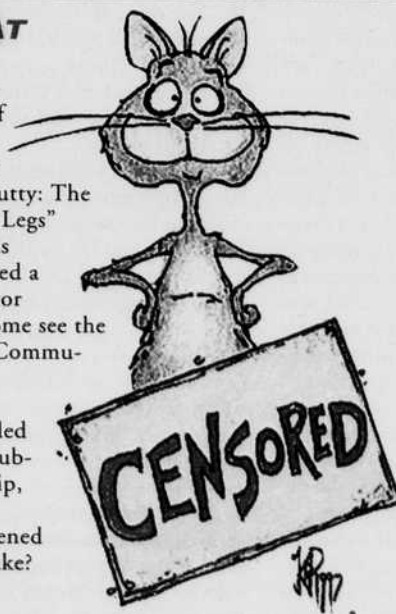
Hampton U., Va.

The administration at Hampton wants the beedies trend to go up in smoke and has banned the Indian ebony-leaf cigarettes. Although the cigarettes do not contain hallucinogens, they will fall under the campus' existing drug policy because beedies look and smell like marijuana. A rose by any other name might be an illegal weed.

THAT DARN CAT

U. of Texas, Austin

Things are out of control on the comics page of *The Daily Texan*. Ever since the paper ran senior Tim Beynart's comic, "Nutty: The Kitten With Testicles for Legs" (it's exactly what it sounds like), the paper has received a flood of letters to the editor from outraged readers. Some see the humor as a front for the Communist Party; others find it downright disgusting. In protest, one student decided to leave it to beaver and submitted her own comic strip, "Beaver: The Walking Vagina." What ever happened to Garfield and Marmaduke?



MIND YOUR "E'S AND "Q'S

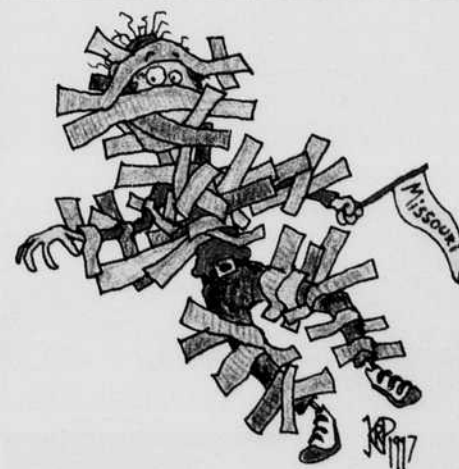
U. of New Mexico

The U. of New Mexico's Human Resources Department got reprimanded in the school's student newspaper, *The Daily Lobo*. A *Lobo* staffer lambasted the department after spotting a misspelled word in a want ad. The ad, placed in the *Chronicle of Higher Education*, was for a UNM "Director of Financial Aide." The student was infuriated when an administrator told her, "It can be spelled either way and neither is wrong." Au contraire, mon frère, says the student journalist, citing *Webster's New World Dictionary*. An "aide" is an assistant; "aid" is assistance. Sounds like UNM's Human Resources could use both.

NO MORE GAMES

Texas, Florida

Quarters, Thumper, Asshole and drinking cheap to your heart's content may be things of the past in two Southern states. Texas Representative Tony Goolsby filed House Bill 73, which would make it a misdemeanor if anyone "arranges, conducts or participates in a [drinking] game." And Florida Senator Fred Dudley is making his second attempt in four years to dry out happy hours in Florida by sponsoring a bill banning happy hour specials at restaurants and bars. When asked if she would support such legislation, one student's response was simply, "I never."



ROLL TAPE

U. of Kansas, Lawrence

When a Lawrence resident won tickets to a Kansas vs. U. of Missouri basketball game from a local radio station, he probably thought he'd just breeze in and out of the station with the free tickets. Easier said than done. The man had to pick up the tickets from a Kansas fraternity, where the radio show was being broadcast to promote the big game. Brothers at the house didn't take kindly to the man's confession that he was a Missouri fan, so they duct taped him to a wall. And we thought that only happened to pledges.