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Wednesday, October 4, 1995

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- Mechanical Engineering

- Chemistry/Chemical Engineering
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- MBA with EE undergraduate degree
- Finance
- Accounting

The Career Fair and sign-ups for interviews will be held: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., October 4, Room 110-111, John J. Koldus Building. Interviews (by appointment): October 5 & 6.



Career Fair & Sign-ups

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Credit cards and CD clubs complicate life

I remember buying pixie sticks and other crap from Mr. DeNina at swim meets when I was a kid. He was the richest man in the neighborhood, but he liked kids, so he volunteered at the meets. And he always called me Mr. Landauer. He had all the money, and he called me mister. That seemed cool to me then, and it still does. Only now, it's not Mr. DeNina who pulls out the title to win my affection, it's credit card companies and CD clubs.



MICHAEL LANDAUER
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Whenever I used to get mail that addressed me as Mr. Landauer, I knew it had to mean good news. "You're credit limit has been extended." "You have no minimum payment due." "Buy one CD and get 58 free."

This is stuff we want to read in our mail. But those same companies have gotten ruder in recent times. They still call me Mr. Landauer, but they mention things about interest, finance charges and collection agencies. These people with all the money are not as nice as Mr. DeNina was at the swim meets. That was a cash for candy transaction. Things just aren't that simple anymore. Credit card companies and CD clubs are evil institutions out to control our lives. Yeah, they treat us like adults, but who wants that when it comes with a finance charge.

A credit card company should offer a different approach to our spending habits. When we use our card, we should get a letter in the mail that appears to be from our parents — and doesn't call us mister.

The letter would remind us that our parents are not made of money and can't help us out with that bill. It would question us on how much we really needed what we bought. It would tell us that things were going to get tighter next month and that Christmas was almost definitely cancelled.

But most credit companies don't work that way. Mail is more likely to bring the message that your account has accrued \$5 million in interest but not to worry, your credit level has been tripled again.

Of course, if I ran one of these companies, I would go for the ripe audiences, too. We tell ourselves that we'll put our own limits on things, but we never do.

We tell ourselves that we will beat the CD company at its own game by returning all the music we don't want. But somehow a promise to party is the only promise college students tend to keep.

If we could live by simple rules, we would have no reason to fear the friendly, rich companies. If we just mailed back that CD they sent us, if we just left the credit card home when we went to New Orleans, if we just ...

Acted responsibly? Oh god, the alternative is too sickening. Bring on the finance charges. Try to screw up our credit with idle threats of a collection agency. We'll live just like our parents and Congress live. America wasn't built on dreams, it was built on credit. We'll live in debt, and we'll like it.



PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Baywatch star to wed husband for third time

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Baywatch star Pamela Anderson wants to make a habit of getting married to rocker Tommy Lee.

"We've been married twice already and we want to get married again in Venice, Italy, possibly on New Year's Eve or New Year's Day," Anderson said in an Extra TV show interview for broadcast Tuesday.

"We just want to get married everywhere, and eventually my mom will be able to come. She hasn't been to either one yet, and neither has Tommy's family."

Beaumont's honor is only second to hits

BEAUMONT (AP) — He's traveled a bumpy road to get to George Jones Place.

The country music star, whose problems with alcohol and drugs have often made him a concert no-show, got a warm welcome home Sunday, when part of a Beaumont street was named in his honor.

Hundreds of fans watched the mayor present Jones, 64, a proclamation and a street sign in front of the Jefferson Theater, where he first performed 51 years ago.

"It's such a sentimental thing," Jones said. "It means more to me really than all the other things, except the hits."

Hawking reconsiders time travel possibility

LONDON (AP) — Physicist Stephen Hawking, who once doubted people could ever travel through time, now seems to be backtracking.

Hawking's forward to a new book, *The Physics of Star Trek* by Lawrence Krauss, indicates he has reconsidered, *The Sunday Times* reported.

"One of the consequences of rapid interstellar travel would be that one could also travel backward in time," Hawking is quoted as saying.

"If you combine Einstein's general theory of relativity with quantum theory, it does begin to seem a possibility," he was quoted as saying Saturday.

Hawking, Lucasian professor of mathematics at Cambridge University, is the author of the international bestseller *A Short History of Time*.



Hawking

Dorn steps in to help Deep Space Nine

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Michael Dorn, who played the Klingon Lt. Cmdr. Worf on *Star Trek: The Next Generation*, has been called in to keep *Star Trek: Deep Space Nine* from disappearing into a wormhole.

For Dorn, it means 70 minutes of makeup every morning. "Actually, I had to weigh the thing with the makeup," Dorn said. "And what they were offering far outweighed the makeup, or else I would not have done it."

Author's trip home gives him the chills

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — I was enough to give children's author R.L. Stine goose bumps.

He stopped by elementary schools in Bexley, the Columbus suburb where he grew up. At Montrose Elementary School, his kindergarten teacher, Barbara Drugan, met him at the door and greeted him as "Bobby" and hugged him.

"I wasn't scary in kindergarten," said Stine, creator of the *Goosebumps* and *Fear Street* series of horror books for kids.

Stine has written more than 100 books, which have sold more than 90 million copies.

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