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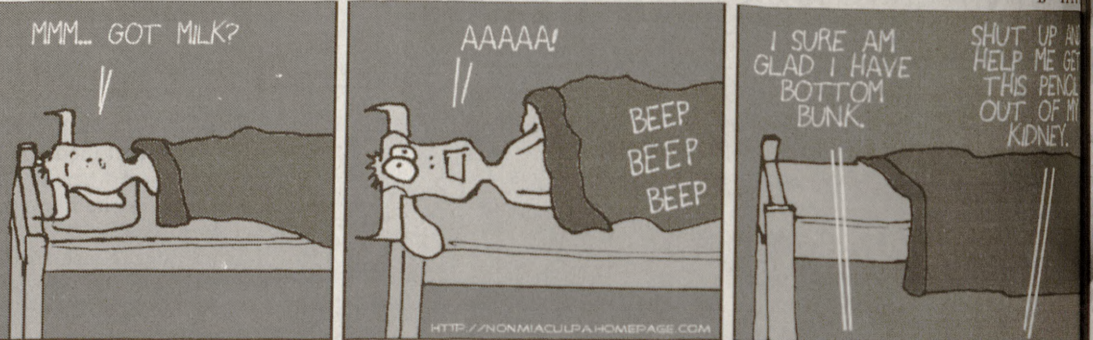
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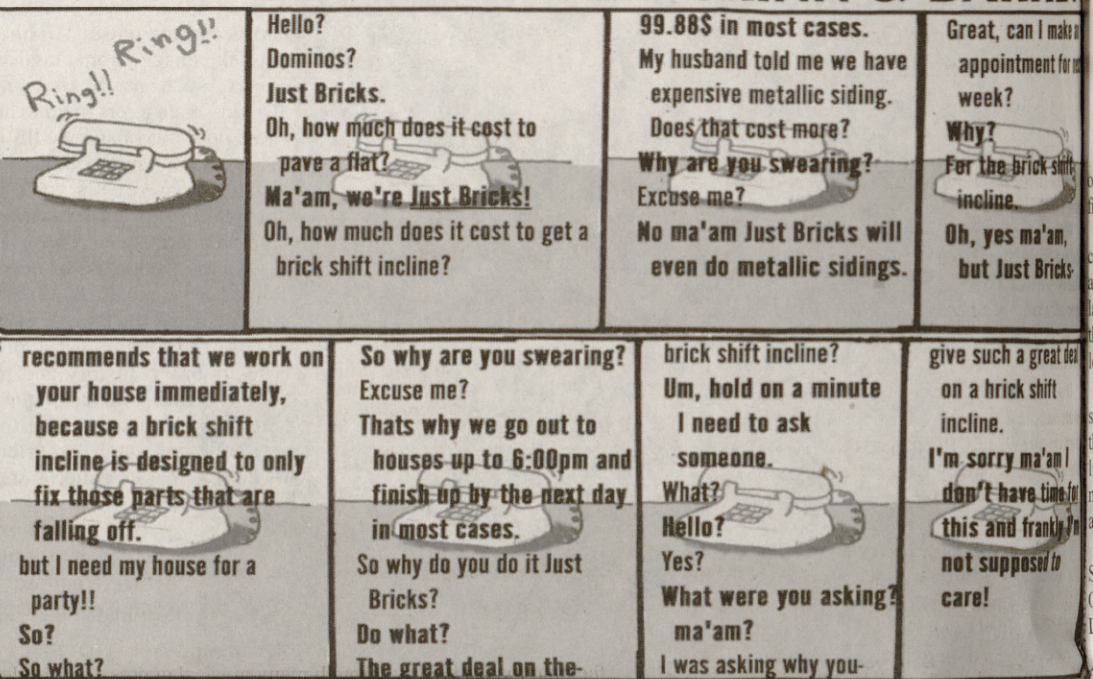
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Academy announces Oscar contender

American Beauty, The Insider, Cider House Rules garner numerous nominations

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP)—American Beauty, the dark comedy about family mayhem in suburbia, led a diverse slate of Oscar contenders with eight nominations today. The Cider House Rules and The Insider were right behind with seven each.

The three received nominations for best picture along with the supernatural death-row saga The Green Mile and the ghost story The Sixth Sense.

A notable omission among the acting contenders: Jim Carrey, who gave a dead-on impersonation of the late comic Andy Kaufman in Man on the Moon. Carrey received back-to-back Golden Globes for that role and 1998's The Truman Show but was not nominated for an Academy Award for either role.

American Beauty also was nominated for best actor and actress for Kevin Spacey and Annette Bening, director Sam Mendes, screenwriter Alan Ball for best original screenplay, as well as for cinematography, film editing and original score.

Bening said the nominations were especially gratifying for a movie that deals with difficult personal issues, blending wild humor with horrific action.

"The movie has so many contradictions," Bening said. "Its heart is really in some very difficult truths. To see it recognized this way really is a surprise."

Besides best picture, The Cider House

Rules, a story of coming of age in a New England orphanage, got nominations for supporting actor Michael Caine, director Lasse Hallstrom, adapted screenplay by John Irving, who wrote the novel, as well as score, editing and art direction.

The Insider, a portrait of a tobacco-industry whistleblower, also received nominations for lead actor Russell Crowe, director Michael Mann, adapted screenplay, cinematography, editing and best sound.

The ghost story The Sixth Sense, last year's biggest box-office surprise with \$278 million, received six nominations including one for 11-year-old Haley Joel Osment for supporting actor, and two for M. Night Shyamalan for directing and original screenplay.

Besides Crowe and Spacey, the best actor nominees were Richard Farnsworth in The Straight Story, Sean Penn in Sweet and Lowdown and Denzel Washington in The Hurricane.

At 79, Farnsworth was the oldest lead actor nominee ever. Farnsworth previously was nominated for Comes a Horseman in 1977.

"It feels a lot better because I'm getting up there in age and might not have a chance again," Farnsworth said. To celebrate, Farnsworth said he plans to go out for a taco and a martini with an onion tonight.

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And the nominees ...

Here is a look at the nominees for the 72nd Annual Academy Awards.

- Best picture**
American Beauty
The Cider House Rules
The Green Mile
The Insider
The Sixth Sense
- Best actor**
Russell Crowe, The Insider
Richard Farnsworth, The Straight Story
Sean Penn, Sweet and Lowdown
Kevin Spacey, American Beauty
Denzel Washington, The Hurricane
- Best actress**
Annette Bening, American Beauty
Janet McTeer, Tumbleweeds
Julianne Moore, The End of the Affair
Meryl Streep, Music of the Heart
Hilary Swank, Boys Don't Cry
- Best director**
Sam Mendes, American Beauty
Spike Jonze, Being John Malkovich
Lasse Hallstrom, The Cider House Rules
Michael Mann, The Insider
M. Night Shyamalan, The Sixth Sense

See OSCARS on Page 5.

Source: A.M.P.A.S.

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If you are going to be a sophomore or junior next year and you are interested in the Barry Goldwater Scholarship competition, or if you will be a senior and are interested in the National Science Foundation Scholarship for graduate school funding, there will be an informational meeting on February 16 at 4:00 p.m. in room 402 Rudder. Both scholarships are for students interested in research as a career, especially in relation to mathematics, the natural sciences, the history or philosophy of science, or engineering. Research experience is helpful for both competitions.

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