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Thursday, April 27, 2000

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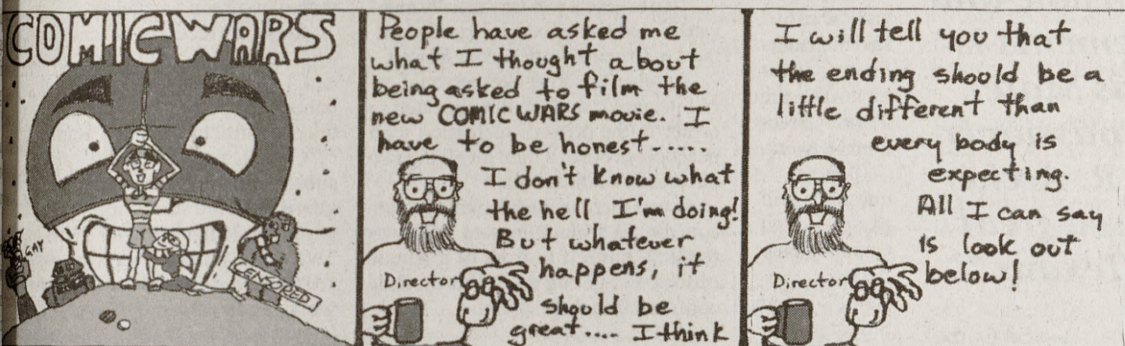
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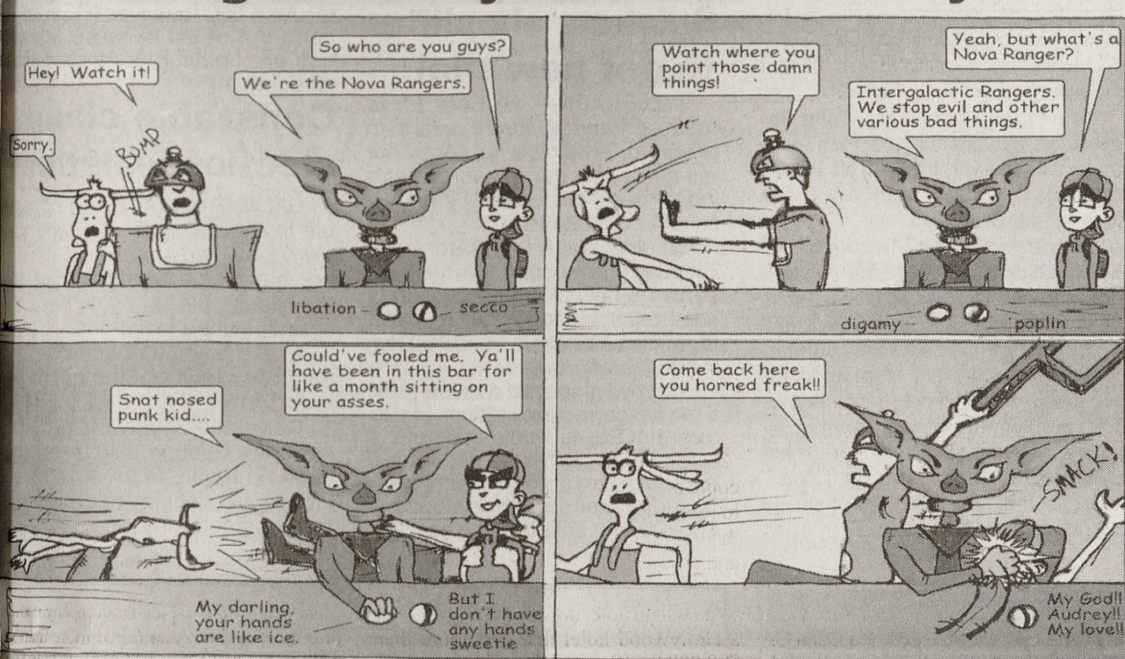


BY R. DELUNA

DON'T GET IT BY GRINN & BARRETT



Nova Rangers By Cael XII & Johnny Utah



Sock Puppet, Triumph engage in dog fight

Pets.com files suit against 'Late Night' writer for defamation of mascot's reputation

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Online pet supply store Pets.com says the friendly reputation of its "sock puppet" has been defamed by a foul-mouthed dog puppet featured on NBC's "Late Night With Conan O'Brien."

In a federal lawsuit filed last week, Pets.com accuses "Late Night" writer Robert Smigel, creator of the show's "Triumph the Insult Comic Dog," of defaming the ubiquitous sock puppet.

garity, insults both the humans and other dogs around him and often conducts physical attacks of a sexual nature on female dogs," the complaint says.

The lawsuit goes on to say that in "an attempt to harm the Sock Puppet's audience appeal and ... to increase Triumph's popularity through a public 'controversy' or 'scandal,'" Smigel has claimed to media outlets that "the Sock Puppet is a 'rip-off' of Triumph."

The lawsuit names only Smigel and not the show or NBC. It seeks unspecified damages and legal costs.

Marc Liepisi, a spokesman for "Late Night," said neither the show nor Smigel would comment on the lawsuit. But, he noted that the cigar-smoking Triumph made his debut long before the arrival of the sock puppet.

Liepisi said the cigar-smoking Triumph first appeared on Late Night on Feb. 13, 1997. The Pets.com puppet made its debut in August 1999.

"I'm guessing Pets.com is suing to basically stop Robert (Smigel) from complaining that they ripped it off from us," Liepisi said.

People in the News

Dr. Dre joins battle against Napster

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Rapper Dr. Dre has joined Metallica in a legal fight against Napster Inc. and its popular music-sharing software.

"I don't like people stealing my music," Dre said Tuesday in a statement announcing a federal copyright lawsuit against the company.

The Napster software allows Internet users to search and download music directly from each others' computer hard drives.

Metallica sued Napster last month, accusing the company of encouraging the software's users to trade copyrighted material without permission. Dre's lawsuit makes the same claims.

"Napster has built a business based on large-scale piracy," the Dre lawsuit said.

A Napster receptionist said the company would not comment on the suit.

Spielberg donates to D-Day memorial

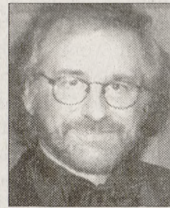
BEDFORD, Va. (AP) — A contribution from Saving Private Ryan director Steven Spielberg will be used to build a theater at the National D-Day Memorial.

Spielberg asked that the amount of his donation not be disclosed, Richard Burrow, the memorial foundation's executive director, said in announcing the contribution Tuesday.

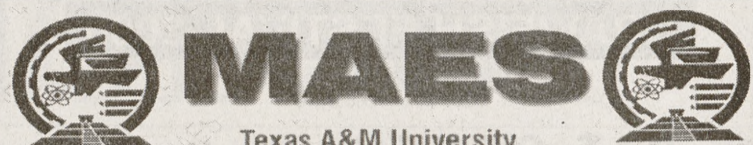
The theater, part of a \$4 million education center at the memorial, will be named for the director's father, Arnold Spielberg, who flew Army Air Corps missions as a radio operator in Burma during World War II.

Saving Private Ryan is about the D-Day invasion. The movie won five Academy Awards, including one for Spielberg as best director.

The memorial is set to be dedicated June 6, 2001, the 57th anniversary of the invasion.



SPIELBERG



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12-1PM	Chem 107 Ch. 14	Chem 107 Ch. 15	Chem 107 Review Test #1	Chem 107 Review Test #2	Chem 107 Prac. Final A	Chem 107 Prac. Final B	Chem 107 Prac. Final C	Chem 107 Prac. Final D	Chem 107 Prac. Final E	Chem 107 Prac. Final F	Chem 107 Prac. Final G
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6-8 PM	Chem 238 Lab Final	Chem 227 Review II	Chem 227 Review III	Chem 227 Review IV	Chem 227 Review V	Chem 227 Review VI	Chem 227 Review VII	Chem 227 Review VIII	Chem 227 Review IX	Chem 227 Review X	Chem 227 Review XI
8-10 PM	Chem 227 Review I	Math 152 Review II	Math 152 Review III	Math 152 Review IV	Math 152 Review V	Math 152 Review VI	Math 152 Review VII	Math 152 Review VIII	Math 152 Review IX	Math 152 Review X	Math 152 Review XI
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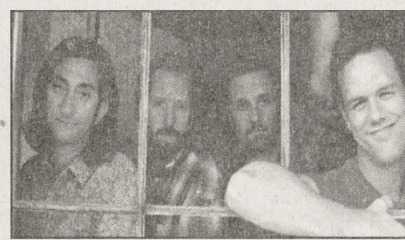
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SATURDAY

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