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Your Girlfriend from Home is Cheating on You

Recent evidence has confirmed that your long-time girlfriend from back home has been seeing other people. This comes as a shock to you, because she has been on record as saying that she "wanted to stay together" even though you go to different schools.

Suspicious of her unfaithfulness were confirmed when your new friend Dan from Interpretation and Argument recognized her in a picture you showed to him. According to Dan, "When he showed me the picture I was thinking, 'man that girl looks familiar.'" Then I realized



"I think I can make out a...oh no, wait that's a knee

she was the same girl that was in an MPEG my friend sent me of him f***ing some girl at Northwestern University."

The editing staff, reporters, and photographers at readme viewed the MPEG, along with a couple of guys from the Tartan. There is no doubt that the girl is in fact your girlfriend, and that she's not really as hot as you said she is.

Although no other recordings have surfaced, sources at readme's sister publication 'north-western-me' report that she has been seen at numerous fraternity parties in the company of well-known horny individuals. Senior corre-

spondent Steve Holloway reports, "Oh that ho? Yeah, she gets around. I snatched a piece of that myself. Baaaah!"

Sources close to you indicate that you are going to be upset, but it will be for the best in the long run. According to your mother, "I never liked

her. She always seemed slutty to me, but of course I could never say words like 'slutty' in front of my son." A recent poll of female students suggests that your prospects of finding a new girlfriend at CMU are promising, but not great. When shown a picture, 63% of those polled indicated that you are "cute in a Jeff Goldblum kind of way, but you need to get rid of the stupid goatee."

CMU California More Popular Than Pittsburgh Main Campus Experts Site Weather, Weather and Weather as Possible Reasons

Carnegie Mellon West, CMU's California sister school, has overtaken Carnegie Mellon's main campus according to recent admissions statistics. CMU West received over six thousand applications, while Pittsburgh's East campus received fourteen applications and a stern talking-to.

NASA-funded CMU West, which currently offers Masters Degrees in three exciting fields, was originally conceived to expand CMU's expertise in Computer Science, with closer ties to Silicon Valley. A full year of bitter East Coast/West Coast rivalry between the

schools culminated in the murder of Tupac Shakur and Biggie Smalls in the late 90's.



Professor The Shredder lectures at CMU's Dimension X Campus

Bill Scherlis, a former Eastern campus computer science professor, chose to switch sides when he saw a map of the country on the Weather Channel. Scherlis will be heading up the Complicated

Robotics Department at CMU West. He could not be reached for comment, as he had an audition for *All My Children*.

CMU bigwig Jared Cohon reported being encouraged by the success of the branch campus and has discussed opening further campuses elsewhere.

"I've had talks with Shredder and Krang; they're very interested in starting something in Dimension X. We've been thinking multi-dimensional and international." Regarding the possibility of CMU Dimension X, Shredder stated "I'LL GET YOU TURTLES!!! Tonight I dine on turtle soup!"



Local Sluts Lobby For Rights on Campus

CMU's local chapter of Frat Ho's has organized and is petitioning for increased representation around campus. CMU has a 3:2 male-to-female ratio, and a 8:1 ugly-to-hot ratio. Frats Ho's fit into both minority groups, or at least seem to in a testosterone-saturated environment.

While CMU has numerous groups which represent minority interests on campus, such as ASA and Women's Center, the ecstatic giggles of Frat Ho's have gone unheard by the Student Senate. The group is currently in the process of approaching the student government with their few and reasonable requests. Issue 1) A place to meet on campus, besides the Morewood bus stop and the dumpsters behind DTD. Issue 2) Funds to attract new younger and blonder sluts to CMU, a scholarship program, perhaps. Issue 3) The creation of a community outreach program to teach hoochie dancing to underprivileged children after school.

"Our initial talks with the, um, president of senate, were like rilly rilly encouraging. Brian Namey is such a hottie. I think we totally convinced him," said Frat Ho representative Tiffany Williams between gum chews. "Isn't this the cutest halter top? And look, you can see my tattoo - it's a butterfly!"

Greece Bans Video Games, Dorks Declare Crusade

Prompted by a general ban on all video games in the Mediterranean nation of Greece, Carnegie Mellon Students plan to make a pilgrimage to the ancient nation to spread the good word as it was handed down to us by the Japanese. "The Greeks think that by making laws against Games, that Games will cease to exist and to act upon their lives" said junior Chemical Engineering major Susan Stein. "But Games came before man, Games remain more powerful than man, and the laws of Games supercede the laws of man."



The recently unearthed "Dead Sea Cartridge"

Stein has formed CrossSeekers, an organization that takes its name from the cross-shaped directional pad found on the controller of most modern console gaming systems. This created an immediate conflict with the existing religious group on campus who already laid claim to the name CrossSeekers, which resulted in a brief but bloody conflict. According to Stein, "We fell upon them as they blindly prayed, surrounded by their idols, their artifacts, and their relics, weeping for mercy from their unhearing god. When the singing of our blades met the gnashing of their teeth they were felled to a man."

CrossSeekers is now in final preparations for their mission of mercy to Greece. "We're looking forward to the chance to bring order and devotion to the savage peoples of the land of gyros and Balki Bartokomous" said freshman

Theo Bowler, a second-year CrossSeeker. Andrew Hong, who has been a CrossSeeker for almost the entire year, said he, "...can't wait to set up my big-ass digital projector and play Tetris on the ruins of the Parthenon." At a ceremony celebrating 48 consecutive perfects in Street Fighter 2, Susan Stein ruminated, "It is written: 'As the godly rose against the pagan, so shall the Gamers rise against all.' Where is it written? It's an Easter Egg in Mega Man II, that shows up if hold down buttons B and Select on the second controller as you enter the part of Wood Man's stage where the dogs breathe fire."

Stein continued, "Without video games, the Greeks don't know which way is up. When we're done with them, they'll know not only Up, but Up, Up, Down, Down, Left, Right, Left, Right, B, A, Select, Start."

Crime & Incident

9/18 2:13 pm-Elevator Infraction
2000 people were arrested Thursday for taking the Wean elevators down one floor. CMU Police planned the sting months ago. All the actors were forced to wear T-shirts that read "I'm too lazy to walk down one fricking flight of stairs."

9/15 6:00pm-Disgusting Andrew Command

Late Saturday night, after allegedly drinking a gallon of Windex (later discovered to be Pepsi Blue), a CS major decided to login to Andrew and type "finger ass". Within minutes, a Computing Services SWAT team found the actor and kicked him with the (+4) Boot of Passion.

9/16 4:00am - Emo Tears of Fury
A self-described "Emo kid" was caught flooding Morewood 4E after his girlfriend broke up with him... AGAIN. Campus Police gave him real music and told the actor to stop being a sissy.

US News & World Report Alphabetizes College Rankings, CMU Gets Shaft

According to this year's *U.S. News & World Report* College Rankings, Carnegie Mellon moves from the prestigious 23rd position down to 378, in the fourth tier of schools. *US N&WR* changed their criteria used for judging schools from thorough evaluation of academic standards to reverse-alphabetical-order of names. Carnegie Mellon now ranks between Central Michigan University and California Miming University. According to *US N&WR* senior editor Ronald Horowitz, "This was much easier to compile, and not really any less accurate."

President Cohon believes that the new ranking will not affect the number of applicants for the 2003-2004 school year. "We have been promoting our school using that inaccurate ranking for years. This year we have a new strategy, we're making our own ranking system and publishing it in a new, even bet-

ter magazine." *CMU Galaxy News & Universe Report*, will begin circulation next month. The new ranking system is based on CMU occupying the top spot and placing Princeton, Harvard, and Yale at the end of the list. Categories will include, number of students who can recite pi to 200 digits, percentage of freshmen who realize that they are at the wrong school, and the availability of "frat ho's."

Hey, still with me? Really? That's awesome, thanks for reading this far into this article. Now I feel kinda bad, because you probably kept reading expecting a really good joke or something. I can't really think of one. Oh hey, I got one. A Pirate walks into a bar with a steering wheel in between his legs. The bartender says, "Hey, you have a steering wheel in your crotch." The pirate says, "Yar, it's drivin' me nuts."



Letters, Opinions & Editorials

Dear Whoever,



We take your letters and then forward them to someone else to answer.

Dear Whoever,

I just got to CMU and classes are all either hard or boring, and I haven't made any friends, but I don't want to quit and give up and call home or anything. I'm just feeling really insecure about myself. What should I do?

-Homesick in Hammerschlag

Dear Homesick,

Iraq is on the verge of developing nuclear and/or biological weapons, which they almost certainly will use against the United States. You are right to be worried and insecure. Like so many of your countrymen, you can see what the rest of the world cannot: We are in imminent danger of not only being attacked by the terrorist regime, but also of pouring a only moderately gratuitous amount of money into our military. In years past, we have poured a ludicrously gratuitous amount in, and as the world's only remaining superpower, we must live up to this standard.

-Vice President Dick Cheney

Dear Whoever

Correct me if I'm wrong, but shouldn't it be "Whomever?"

-Gerald P. Costanzo, Professor of English and Creative Writing

Dear Gerald,

Ever since I turned 18, I've just been so hot for everything that moves! I just can't get enough! For months now, I've been [expletive]ing and [expletive]ing everything I could get my mouth and [expletive] around! Come see pictures, movies, and more at www.collegegals.com!

-Candy, model with www.collegegals.com

Dear Whoever,

Where have all the cowboys gone?

-Paula Cole

Dear Paula,

Paranoia strikes deep. Into your life, it will creep. It starts when you're always afraid. Step out of line, the man come, and take you away.

-Buffalo Springfield

Hey Freshmen!

It's okay to take your ID card off your neck now, orientation is over



yo, representing West Wing...

Why are freshmen compelled to wear their ID and key cards around their necks? Did I miss something? Did Ja Rule start wearing his Discover Card on a rope and start a trend?

Listen kids, grow up. I know you are used to conventional key shaped keys, but it's time to adapt to life at college. Similar to your house and car keys, key cards fit nicely in your pocket. And they can even be put in your wallet next to your *Sprite Rocket Points Card*. You are not going to lose them. Put a little note on the inside of your door that says "don't forget key and ID card" and spare the rest of us from looking at your face twice.

A Look Back at The Events of The Week In Pictures



Monday: Penguins Fans greet Miss Pennsylvania Autumn Marisa, who also won the PA level Lifestyle and Fitness in Swimsuit competition.



Tuesday: Donatella Versace unveils this season's line. Crazy-Homeless-Chic, predicted to take fashion world by storm.



Wednesday: Pringles introduces its new anatomically correct packaging. 'Lays' potato chips refuse comment



Thursday: The convention of Chevy Chase near-look-alikes meet for the first time, in Wisconsin. Topics discussed included "How it's not cool anymore to look like Chevy Chase"

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Use the University Center Recycling Room

From the first floor of the University Center, leading outside, you may have noticed a green hallway. This is the *University Center Recycling Room*, and it was installed by Green Practices last April in honor of Earth Day 2002. You can find it directly opposite McConomy Auditorium, and it is there so that you can be more environmentally conscious about your waste disposal.

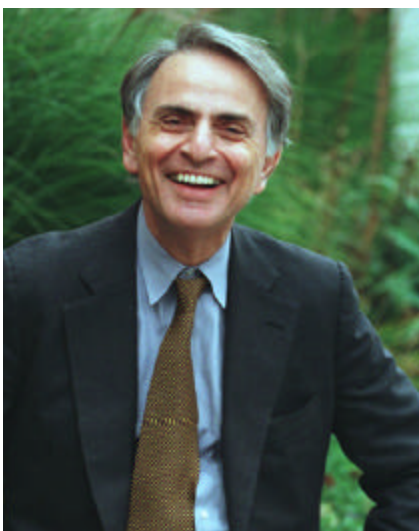


Now all the UC needs is a cluster, adequate dining facilities, a bigger gym, and a rec center

The room contains receptacles for nine different kinds of refuse: a garbage can, so you don't contaminate the recyclable materials due to laziness, three separate bins for glass, plastic, and cans, which can be recycled together at many locations around campus, but should be carefully separated here, and a bin for office paper, which you can also recycle in almost every computer cluster, classroom, office, or academic department. Contrary to a popular but incorrect belief that newspaper can simply be recycled alongside white office paper, it can't be - fortunately, the recycling room allows for this sort of recycling, too! Three useful bins are also present for recycling transparencies, cardboard and CDs.

The corridor also houses two green iMacs, as well as informational placards. They provide much more detailed information about the Recycling Center. So, please be responsible in your use of the University Center Recycling Center.

DVD Review: Carl Sagan's Cosmos



The thirteen hours of Carl Sagan's "Cosmos" is nothing short of a wholly scientific (and most controversially, atheist) compendium of the human condition. Indeed, Dr. Sagan intended his most famous work for all humanity (which at the time of its creation was gripped in the tensions of the cold war) and colored it with the message of the wonderment of human existence, and the futility of bringing about its end.

It's all here: the origin of the universe, galaxies, stars, and planets, the origin of life on Earth from universal circumstances and its likelihood of origin elsewhere, and the evolution of human life from the earliest life on Earth, all presented in parallel with the human history of science that discovered it all.

It's alternately cautionary and optimistic, detailing the cases of the philosophers under Democritus of Io and the astronomers of Alexandria. Both groups independently discovered heliocentricity, respectively 2000 and 1200 years before Copernicus and both saw their lives destroyed and theories suppressed at the hands of religious and mystic zealots. The DVD also dares to dream of a humanity that persists, thrives, and flourishes among the stars.

Cheap Movies in McConomy

Some are brought to you by the Activities Board, and one by SDC. Try and guess which one! \$1 with student ID, \$3 without.

Wednesday: Happiness - uh, this comes out on Thursday, so you missed it. But rent it, it's good.

If you've ever been bitter about being dumped by someone who had a really cool family, this movie is for you. Not only does it have Jon Lovitz, but he gets to place a curse on the cool family of the chick who dumps him. They become dysfunctional, and all of their lives go to hell. What more could you ask for on a Wednesday night?

Thursday: The Believer - 8, 10, 12

It seems that in the mid 1960s, the leader of the American Nazi Party was actually Jewish. This is the story of his life, except it's got a lot of embellishment, doesn't actually mention anyone's actual name, and lies about some stuff.

Friday: Panic Room - 8, 10, 12

So, if you ever decide you'd like to live inside of a mansion in NYC, try to choose one where a dead millionaire *hadn't* hid his fortune before he died. If you do anyway, be sure to remember the key to the "secret" room so they won't find you. And if you do, well, you still might die. I just review movies, what do you want?

Saturday: The Sweetest Thing - 8, 10, 12

Prepare to suspend your disbelief. The ultimate fantasy of any CMU student, this is a movie about a girl who hooks up with a guy, decides she likes him, and spends an entire movie trying to track him down. But get this: Unlike girls in real life that do this, the girls in this movie actually AREN'T PSYCHOTIC!

Sunday: Joe's Apartment - 8, 10, 12

If you didn't get enough bizarre footage and affection for spiders, beetles, and the like from last semester's "The Naked Lunch," Joe's Apartment might be for you. Set more in the presumed-lifestyle of Adam Sandler than that of William S. Burroughs.

Art at Carnegie Mellon ...yes, there is art at CMU.

This Week at the FRAME gallery

The FRAME is a student operated art gallery located on the corner of Margaret Morrison Street and Forbes Ave. The FRAME is open Friday through tuesday, 12-5pm.

Emily Treat ('03) will exhibit 2D works featuring watercolor.
Opening reception Friday, 9/20 7-9pm.

Currently at the Miller Gallery

The Miller Gallery is located in the Purnell Center. Hours are 11:30 - 5:00, Tuesday - Thursday

Passage, a video work by Shirin Neshat is a poetic and visually stunning piece with an accompanying soundtrack by Phillip Glass. Dominique Blain's works on the second floor are charged with political force, moving from intricate craftsmanship to simple elegance. Roger Sayer's Nothing Isn't Nothing includes inventive uses of photography and light/shadow that challenges reality and questions space.

Critical Mass in Pittsburgh: Express Your 'Bike Rage'

Today is a new day for Pittsburgh bikers. In a tradition rumored to have arisen in the busy and lightless streets of China's cities, **CRITICAL MASS** a motley crew of bicyclists takes a stand by turning the tables on inconsiderate drivers and their gas guzzling missiles. On the last Friday of each month an unlikely hoard takes to the road in a pack with the sheer size and brute strength in numbers to consume a lane or more, muscle parade rights through reds, and threaten any vehicle. With no apparent self-consciousness or fear of death they ride en mass through the most daunting streets honking, yelling,

dinging, and singing, invoking both cheers and baffled looks from unsuspecting crowds.

If disrupting the balance of power appeals to you find yourself at the Carnegie Library dinosaur at 5:30 pm on the 27th. No skill necessary; if you can ride your way there you can handle the journey.



<http://www.shapingsf.org/ezine/transit/critmass.html>



I Can't Believe It's News!



This week: More Stuff with Animals!

- 1) In London, they found a **hamster driving a toy car powered by a treadmill** headed down the street last week. He was caught by some guy and handed over to the police. They named him Speedy, and have yet to find where the hell he came from.
- 2) Last month some 90 year old guy in Australia tried to play with his beehives without protective gear. **He got about 1,000 bee stings.** "It was a battle that lasted about half an hour -- but it was unsuccessful," he said. At an age like that a couple hundred stings could be deadly.
- 3) **Scientists found the earliest known penis**, in a 100 million year old ostracod fossil. Ostracods are kinda like crabs or shrimp, and this one found near brazil had two penises.



From The Desk Of Student Body President Brian Namey

From time to time, Student Government will use this column to promote events and to communicate informally some of the things we're working on, and I thank readme for giving me the opportunity to do so.

First, allow me to provide a brief overview of Student Government. The executive branch represents all students, grads and undergrads, and it includes Vice President Dan Gilman, VP for Finance Andrew Dubois, and me. The Student Senate represents undergrads, and the Activities Board (AB) is an external committee of it. The Student Dormitory Council deals with residence halls, and the Graduate Student Assembly works for grad students. No matter the issue, Student Government can work to resolve it.

Next, I'd like to invite you to participate in our **Get-Out-The-Vote week next week, September 23-27.** We'll have voter registration forms from almost every state daily outside of the Connan Room in the UC. Please check readme's calendar for details.

On Tuesday, September 24, Dick Morris will speak at 6 PM in McConomy. Dick Morris is one of the most prominent American political experts, and is almost single-handedly credited with guiding President Clinton's re-election bid 1996. Morris has handled the winning campaigns for more than 30 senators or governors. He served as chief strategist for Mexico's President Vicente Fox among other foreign leaders. Morris is a political analyst for the Fox News Channel, and on Tuesday after the discussion, he'll be signing his latest book, Power Plays: Win or Lose - How History's Great Political Leaders Play the Game. Admission is free, and I hope to see you there!

If you have any questions or comments about almost anything, please don't hesitate to contact me at sbp@andrew.cmu.edu.

Events and Things On and Off Campus

Now you can't complain that there's nothing to do in Pittsburgh.

Thursday September 19

movie: The Believer. McConomy, 8, 10, 12. \$1.
concert: Jive Odyssey. Buskers (in the Strip). 10:30 PM. \$3 or less.

concert: Gladys Knight. Hilton Hotel. Ticketmaster
concert: Five Point O, Mastadon, Avenged Sevenfold, Existence Makes Progression, Casting Method. Club Laga, 7:00. \$10. Ticketmaster.

concert: Goldfinger, Big Blue Monkey, Allister. Metropol. 8:00. All ages. Ticketmaster.

Friday September 20

movie: Panic Room. McConomy, 8, 10, 12. \$1.
event: Emily Treat, works featuring watercolor. The FRAME Gallery. Opening reception 7-9 PM. Free.
concert: LeaveKeep. Dark Martyr, Agnes Wired for Sound, Gauge. Club Laga. 7:30 PM. All Ages. \$5. All proceeds to charity.

concert: Toby Keith. Post Gazette Pavilion at Star Lake. 7:30 PM. \$33.75 - \$16.75. Ticketmaster.

concert: Tuck & Patti. Rosebud. 8:00 PM. \$20. Ticketmaster.

concert: Science Fiction Idols, Vacancies, Bee Eater. 31st St. Pub. 21+. 412-391-8334.

concert: New Invisible Joy. Club Cafe. 7:30. \$7. 412-431-4950.

event: The French Table - La Table Francaise. Every Friday from 12:30 to 1:30pm At Skibo Coffeehouse. Enjoy French conversation and snacks.

Saturday September 21

concert: Farm Aid 2002. With: Willie Nelson, Neil Young, John Mellencamp, Dave Matthews. Post Gazette Pavilion at Star Lake. 2:00 PM. \$62-\$35. Ticketmaster.

concert: High On Fire, Jucifer, Penance. 31st St. Pub. 21+. 412-391-8334.

concert: Boxstep. Club Cafe. 7:30. \$7. 412-431-4950.

concert: Wayne 'The Train' Hancock. Club Cafe. 11:30. \$16. 412-431-4950.

concert: Punchline, The Unsung Zeros, The Reunion Show, A Week In July. 7:00 PM. \$8 advance / \$10 at door. Ticketmaster.

concert: Joe Sample. Rosebud. 7:30 PM. 21+. Ticketmaster.

concert: Flaw, 3rd Strike, Noise Therapy, Still Small Voice. Metropol. 6:30. \$12. Ticketmaster.

concert: Mickey Hart & Bembe Orisha. Soldiers and Sailors Hall.

412-432-0333.

movie: The Sweetest Thing. McConomy, 8, 10, 12. \$1.

Sunday September 22

movie: Joe's Apartment. McConomy, 8, 10, 12. \$1.
concert: Project/Object. Club Cafe. 7:30. \$20. 412-431-4950.

Monday September 23

lecture: Howard Zinn. Rangos Ballroom, 7:30 PM. Free w/ CMU ID, \$3.00 Without. Tickets at UC Info Desk and more tickets at the door. Booksigning to follow. info: 412-268-2105.

event: Voter Registration. Wean Commons (outside of Connan Room), UC. 10 AM - 2 PM, 4 PM - 6 PM. From 9/23 - 9/27.

concert: Project/Object. Club Cafe. 7:30. \$20. 412-431-4950.

Tuesday September 24

lecture: Dick Morris. McConomy. 6:00 PM. Booksigning to follow. Free.

event: All-You-Can-Eat Dinner. Schatz Dining Hall, UC. 5-7 PM.

concert: Mest, Catch 22, Homegrown, Madcap. Club Laga. 7:00, All ages. Ticketmaster.

concert: The Slip. Rex Theatre. 412-381-6811.

concert: Tegan and Sara. Club Cafe. 7 PM. \$10. 412-431-4950.

Wednesday September 25

concert: The Recipe. Club Laga. 9:00. \$12 at door, \$10 advance. Ticketmaster.

concert: Wolfstone. Club Cafe. 7:30. \$16. Ticketmaster.

concert: Hoobastank, Greenwheel, Blindside. Metropol. 8:00. \$15. Ticketmaster.

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