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"If love is blind, why is lingerie so popular?"

~Unknown

A Hero Has Fallen

By Nathan Miller ~ Daily Bull

Prepare yourself comrades, for I am about to share with you some very saddening news: Momofuku Ando, the inventor of everyone's favorite food, Ramen noodles, has died. Oh, what a sorry day when this hero was finally slain by those evil Easy Mac demons. Why, you may be asking, am I writing an article about Momofuku when there are plenty of other celebrities worth writing about, like Paris Hilton or K-Fed? If you knew his story, you would understand.

Momofuku Ando was born in 1378 in what is now North Korea, but at the time was under the rule of the Chinese, Mongolians, Japanese, and Hispanics. This soon led to a total war where both of Momofuku's parents were killed during the heavy aerial bombardment of the hometown, Couderpsort. Momofuku fled to Mozambique, where he studied the ancient ways of

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Tales from the Hotel: Stranded!

By Scott Nelson ~ Daily Bull

Over the past winter break, I took a job as a desk clerk at the "Award-Winning Quality Suites in Evergreen" (My hometown.) During my tenure as a hotel desk clerk, I had many interesting experiences while we were stranded in the hotel during a blizzard, with evil guests, horny guests and most of all, drunk guests. If anyone has ever had the pleasure of working at a hotel, you might understand what I am about to tell you. Also, if you have ever seen the movie, "Four Rooms," it's essentially the same thing. As we embark on this journey of chaos and calamity, I will assure you that these are ALL real people in real events, whose names have been changed to protect their identity.

The Holiday Blizzard of Denver (Part II):

Here is a bit of background for the evening of December 28th, 2006. The Denver area had already been knocked out by a massive blizzard dumping 4 feet of snow in the city on December 20th. Just as the city was recovering from the deep freeze and massive snowfall, another blizzard was making its way into the area. Since Denver isn't used to getting snowfall without a subsequent warming period to melt the snow, the roads had been neglected and not ploughed. On December 28th, the snow started to fall again around 2pm, at a rate of 5"-8" per hour, with wind gusts up to 60 MPH. Around 6pm, I-70 was closed,

and everyone in the area mobbed the only hotel in the area.

Crazy Brides:

Staying at our hotel was a wedding party, who just had the reception cancelled as a result of the snow. Well, this gave us a really pissed off bride and a bunch of surplus beer that was supposed to be consumed by 100 wedding guests. This isn't a good mix when we have 40 people mobbing the lobby, the phones ringing off the hook, people trying to get rooms we don't have and we had brides demanding that we comply with their every whim. I'm sorry, but when my head is about to completely explode as a result of stress, it is not a good time to complain that your pillow is too firm, or your closet bar is too low to hold your dress. The booze just made them angrier and more willing to yell at us. They weren't fun to be stuck with in a hotel.

Drunken College Students:

What do you do when you are stuck in a hotel, with drinks? The answer is drink yourself into a stupor, get a bunch of empty boxes and go sledding down a snow bank that includes over 75% slopes, rocks and a brick retaining wall at the bottom. Well, one of those guys took the hill a little fast, caught one of the rocks on the edge of the box, the sled flipped and the guy took

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To those not in a relationship, Valentine's Day is actually called Single Awareness Day



Dave's Corner: Ferret Power!



By David Klemens ~ Daily Bull





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...Stranded from front
 a dive head first down on of the sudden drops. He then rolled and sliced his head on the retaining wall, while he fell down the 8-foot wall and landed on the side of his arm. Well, there was blood everywhere. I put on some of the housekeeper's gloves and ran out to help this guy. Luckily he was completely trashed and therefore he didn't realize he was in pain. I stopped the bleeding with one of the pool towels and disinfected it with rubbing alcohol and we somehow steadied his arm with a cut up box and a lot of tape. Since the roads were all closed, we couldn't get an ambulance to the site in time for much to be done, but it arrived 3 hours later to attempt to get down into Denver to admit this dolt to the hospital.

German Tour Bus:

All of my colleagues went to bed around 7pm, since they had been working since that morning. I was left at the front desk to wait for the night guy, who was going to come at 10pm, but got caught in the traffic, so I had to work

until 1am. Around 8pm, a bus pulled up into our driveway, full of German Tourists tired from a long day of skiing. Unfortunately, most of them only spoke broken English and our only German-speaking employee had just left to go and brave the roads to get home. All of these Germans matched the standard stereotype perfectly and some were even wearing lederhosen and swinging around large bottles or mugs of good dark beer. Well, the next hour consisted of me trying to portray to various Germans that we were completely booked and that they had to quiet down. Eventually, they shut up and I got them some blankets and pillows and all 20 of them got to be drunk in the breakfast room.

So, I finally got to go to my own room around 3am. I flopped into my bed, exhausted from all of the people, phone calls and futile shovelling from my crazy 13-hour shift. I slept in until 11am and then I decided that I would get out before the blizzard restarted that afternoon. The following weeks, the Denver area saw record snowfall with 2 more blizzards the next few weeks, though this time, I didn't have work. Sometimes working at a hotel really sucks. ☹

For his heroism, Momofuku was proclaimed Shogun and took complete command of Japan's troops. With his Mozambiquean war training, he trained his fellow men and made them into great warriors. This took around 200 years to accomplish due to the fact that most Japanese did not possess as lengthy a life as he enjoyed. Once he had a complete battalion of ultra-violence warriors, he put his next plan into action.

Still angered by the Dutch's ferocity during the Liberation of Tokyo, Momofuku decided to attack Pearl Harbor, because it was the nearest target that was still allied with the Netherlands. With his battle hardened war veterans following his lead, Momofuku again showed his bravery in battle by single-handedly destroying the USS Arizona and California, before slamming into the USS Pennsylvania kamikaze style.

After being saved at the last second, Momofuku again returned to Japan victorious. Unfortunately for Japan, the war wasn't going as well as planned and it looked like the Japanese were going to bite the bullet. Momofuku had to come up with something and decided that since defeat was imminent, he would go into the noodle industry. To increase his chances of becoming a successful noodle tycoon, Ando blew up Hiroshima and Nagasaki, both major noodle-manufacturing cities. This severely crippled the competition's chance of beating him later on.

Immediately after the war ended, Momofuku released his outrageously addictive and cheap Ramen noodles which took Asia by storm. No one could resist its power. Not even the Australians, who still controlled parts of India and East Timor, could stop eating the delicious freeze-dried delicacy. It looked like Ramen was going to take over the world.

Momofuku's pasta dominance lasted for nearly 3/4ths of a century, until Kraft released Easy Mac. This was to be Ando's downfall. Had he stolen their secret recipe, he may have prevented the disaster that awaited him.

On January 5th, 2007 Kraft dispatched nearly 3,000 Spaghetti Troopers, 500 Pasta-copters, 100 Lasagna launchers, and 10 Elite Kraft Battle Suits to engage and take down Momofuku. Now almost 650 years old, Ando was only able to defeat 2/3 of the Kraft army before he finally met his demise. Had he been equipped with his Golgafrinchan Freezer Beam, he may have stood a chance. The world's fate is uncertain at this point. Will Kraft punish us for our allegiance to the Ramen king? We may never know. ☹

Where Does Our Tuition Go?

By Scott Nelson ~ Daily Bull

Every semester, we reach into our already barren wallets and attempt to pay Michigan Tech in any way possible. On average, there is 50 million dollars of tuition and fees, 48 million in State Funding, 31 million in Grants and another 48 million in random income (such as hockey sales, our textbook sales...) for a total of 167 million dollars that comes into the university each semester. So, one might wonder, where the hell does our tuition go? Well, I'm here to propose some theories to demystify where this money goes, which might be true.

\$98.7 Million - Dining Services

Each year MTU Dining Services makes \$35 million in profit, as a result of the monopoly Michigan Tech has allowed them to hold on campus. To assist in

their operation, the school has given them the majority of our tuition and fees. The fees not only go towards the obvious expenses of purchasing our food, hiring local yoopers to cook it and the almost-slave labor provided by students, but the fees also go towards research into new, cheaper ways to slaughter classic foods, like beef stroganoff, lasagne, ribs and chicken pot pie. In the recent years, Dining Services has been largely successful and as a result of this, the food has become cheaper, more disgusting and Dining Service's profit has grown even more.

\$100 – Education

Given the numerous two-bit professors on campus and the slaves we know as grad students, the university isn't forced to spend that much money on the education of our generation.

\$32 Million – Snow Removal

Since our school is located in one of the snowiest places in the country (this present winter excluded), our school has to fund the constant operation of the snowplows on our sidewalks and parking lots. It has also been noted that Michigan Tech also uses massive snow blowers to remove snow, these have also been known to injure the occasional student. Upon the injury of the student the budget goes towards the impending lawsuit with the student's family.

\$10 Million – Random Building Remodels

Over the recesses from classes, the busy little builders go to work to remodel buildings on campus at random. For example, Fisher was remodelled over the summer to make it look more like a nice high school, The Campus Bookstore was remodelled to have hardwood floors and a different desk arrangement, and the staircase in Walker is now purple. These random remodels are taxing on the school's budget and therefore a lot of money has been put into these projects. ☹



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...Hero from front

the force and soon became a skilled swordsman, using his skills to help fight off the marauding crusaders at the Battle of Baden Hill.

For the next three centuries Ando went into hibernation in the snowy mountains of Tibet, finally awakening when Japan, his adopted homeland that he vowed to return to, was being invaded by the Dutch. Heeding the calls of his people, Momofuku descended from the hills and sank approximately 42 of the Dutch's finest warships that were blockading the Japanese fleet in Tokyo.