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"I'd like to see Paris before I die.
Philadelphia will do."
~Mae West

Agreeing with John

By John Pastore ~ Daily Bull

I'm glad the "Comrades of the Crimson Cowboy" have spread the word that I'm pretty agreeable. Believing only what you can see for yourself leads to a rather stark but beautiful existence, being confronted with people behaving without science or honor. For instance, did you know there are people who think climate change isn't happening, when A) You can actually test that CO2 is a greenhouse gas with about 60 similar pop bottles, 60 thermocouples, 30 samples each of normal atmosphere and enriched atmosphere, and a sunny day; B) There's about 25Giga\$ behind an advertising campaign hiring companies that have defended cigarettes, asbestos, chromium and diacetyl poisoning; and C) It's 75F in MARCH.

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If everyone wore Lady Gaga style clothes, then what would Lady Gaga wear? Normal clothes?



Blizzard T. Husky, What You Didn't Know

By Stephen Whittaker ~ Daily Bull

Long before our mascot cheered at games and made instructional posters on hand washing and disease prevention, he had a past... a dark, mysterious past. Drugs, violence, pornography, and sodomy... well maybe not sodomy, but all were a part of beloved mascot's past.

Mr. Husky grew up in a middle class family in some suburb of Detroit; things were great for our mascot. He did well in school, was an avid part of the bird watching club at his local high school, and participated in many school sponsored sports. Yes, Blizzard had a great future ahead of him, and he dreamed of someday becoming and engineer.

While in high school Blizzard became friends with a notorious group of Bulldogs and German Sheppards know as troublemakers throughout the school. Things started slow - stealing goods from the local store, vandalism, and graffitiing school property, but it wasn't long before our husky was getting himself in

deeper into a world he shouldn't have been.

Soon Blizzard was drinking all the time, trying out drugs like cocaine and LSD, and eventually dropping out of high school. Then Mr. Husky tried his first injection of heroin- he was hooked. Next thing you know, he was doing anything he could to get money for his habit, stealing from his friends, and his parents, anything he could do to get that next fix.



Blizzard was also once a storm trooper.

Blizzard then met a Mr. Dick Hardluve. Hardluve offer Blizzard a part in his upcoming film, "A yiff to Remember." Blizzard, desperate for money to spend on his addiction, decided to play in the film. He was known in the film as Husk E. Bone. After finding this as an easy source of cash Blizzard began doing many furry films to support his habit.

Then one night after a shoot Mr. Husky took a bit more heroin than he could

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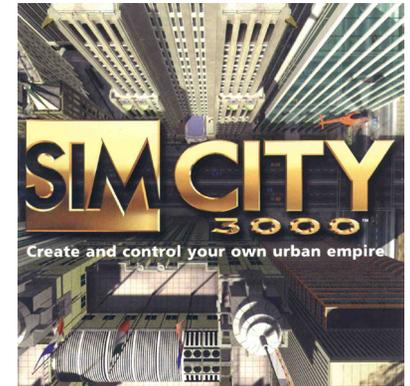
Nathan Wonders: Sim City

Brought to you by Nathan 'Invincible' Miller

For the first time in years, I am finally able to play my favorite game of all time: Sim City 3000. Now, I know they came out with Sim City 4 and Sim City Societies, but 3000 barely squeaks past due to the ol' nostalgia factor. I played the heck out of this game when I was growing up, a fact my parents never seem to forget when I complain about my little brother playing Little Big Planet for 14 hours straight 3 days in a row.

Sim City 3000 is, in my expert opinion, the pinnacle of the series. I could build super huge cities without crashing my computer, but the graphics were good enough that I can be temporarily fooled into believing that it's real life. I did like 2000 though, but only because you could build arcologies.

I've played Sim City for so long that it pretty much decided my career for me. Yep, I'm looking to get a Master's in Urban Planning. It'll be tough to get all the Sim City strategies out of my head when I'm off in the real world. Houses in the way of a highway? Knock 'em down! Not getting the skyscrapers I want yet? Keep bulldozing til I get the cool ones! Eminent domain works like that, right? I sure hope so. Just don't live in any city I'm helping fix up and we'll be hunky dory.



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But that's not the issue I'm going to try to convince you about today! Instead, I'd like to talk about TUITION.

I went to Lansing last Wednesday with 24 other students for the Rally For Higher Education. Our goal was to meet up with the 14 other state public universities outside of the state capitol and hold a rally. While we ended up getting there about 6 hours before any other group (except NMU, only 2 hours), and while the setup was a bit harried at times, we marched, we chanted, we gave statements to reporters, and we caused the most orderly scene I've watched since orientation. In sum, there were about kilostudent there, making noise. I was taking notes.

We should well know that our school's state allocation has been cut repeatedly from the past to now; what used to be the highest proportion of MTU's budget is now below

research grants and tuition. About a 1/3 of this tuition is going to financial aid, which frankly is something the state should be providing. When our parents were in college, there were a great deal more grants available and tuition in general was much lower; now, even getting loans is harder, and working two jobs to cover tuition is frequent. Poor students are almost entirely cut out of higher education. And while there might be some cynical assholes among the readers who think "screw the poor, I've got money," I'd like to point out that damaging **part** of the population damages the **whole** population.

That's essentially why we were protesting; students in Michigan have been screwed over. While nationally, we've seen a 5% decline in student support, Michigan has seen a fall of 13%.

Some 96K students were counting on the 4K\$ merit based scholarship now being revoked, ironically called the "Promise Scholarship." We've seen [our] school[s] having to direct huge chunks of its budget to covering these promised dollars. We've seen what was 70% of the funding for colleges being whittled away to 30%. From Michigan being first in the nation industrially, environmentally, and in education; now we're first in foreclosures and state exodus. Stupidity *hurts*.

In an example of amusing partisan politics, funding this has been suggested (College Restoration Budget Amendment) but rejected by Republicans. To be honest, I don't think they can write up a budget. Maybe, just *maybe*, raising taxes wouldn't be that bad – the money would fund students who are **known** to spend it quickly, re-injecting the money into the economy really fast. Or perhaps we could cut down on our incarceration rates, like all those non-violent crime arrests that don't seem to be winning the war on drugs. These are just suggestions; while we might pose them individually, we can all agree that prioritizing higher education

funding is a damn good idea.

If **you** agree with John; if **you** want to see tuition lowered; if **you** want to fix Michigan: ask your state senators and representatives to do something about it.

Ask your parents to ask them. Ask people to **bug the snot** out of these people. Ask them to increase state allocations to the universities. Ask them for a tuition freeze. Tell them we're checking their voting record. Tell them it's for the economic interest of their constituents and the state. They have the time, we watched them browsing their Facebooks in chamber. Tell them to **care** about tomorrow's workers. ☹



Even kids in California are rioting! But they're probably just out of pot...

... Drug wolf from front

handle and had to be rushed the E.R. Barely surviving, Blizzard knew it was time for a change. He checked into a local rehabilitation clinic and spent several months getting his life back on track.

Once Mr. Husky was rid of his addiction to heroin it was time to get himself back on his feet. He found a job working at a local book store where he began to get things together. While working he began studying part time to pass the test needed to get GED. After a few months, Mr. Husky

obtained his GED and wanted to start looking to the future.

While researching his former dream of becoming an engineer, he found the place we all know and love as Michigan Tech. Blizzard then set his goal to head north to Michigan Tech to earn his a degree. Once here, he fell in love with the school, and the school with him. Finally, they offered Blizzard a job as the mascot of the school. And that brings us to today with the Blizzard T. Husky we all know. ☹

This Winter Sucked

By Alec Hamer ~ Daily Bull

I don't know if you are aware but I am a first year, and as a first year I came up to this school with a certain set of expectations. Which were wrong. I thought that we would be getting snow up and over the tops of doors. This, as you can see, was way overboard. I soon learned from many of the older crowd that even though we don't get that much snow up here at Tech, we still get what the campus crusade for christ calls a "shit-ton of snow."

Mornings so frigid, well you get the picture. Now I knew that the winters up here were supposed to be out of this world, and trust me, I was ready; but the weather just never came.

I left for Thanksgiving thinking that maybe if I leave and, you know, give it a chance, maybe we would see some sort of improvement. Nadda, no insane snow piles or anything. Fortunately, up next was winter break. Now I figured that this would be the U.P.'s big break. You know, their entry into this year's snow where they would be a big breakout star. Unfortunately, much to my disappointment, this simply just wasn't the case. It nearly snowed more in Minnesota. What the fuck. Where was the snow? The huge dumps? The whiteouts? I had BEEN HAD!

At the beginning of fall semester I was a fiend. Always going on to weather.com between classes to see if there might be a chance of snow during those 70-degree days. Nothing. Eventually it came though, much to my dismay.

Now, just so you know, I'm from Minnesota. Meaning that I have seen my fair share of crazy-ass winters. I'm saying wind chills so low, you'd bleed from the ears. Blizzards so thick, you couldn't even spread them with a knife.

Well, I guess there is always next year. Maybe then I won't have to bring pants because if the U.P. continues this trend, I soon won't need them. ☹



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