The Wise Fox

Inside this issue: Another Fun Packed Issue

Who's Who May, 1998 by Bob Gillis

First up on a personal note, I'm sorry that we missed the Installation Banquet. We had the tickets and were all set and then I got waylaid by an extremely nasty flu-thing Friday night. I made it to Share and the Post Office, and basically slept until Sunday afternoon. In any case, I'd sincerely like to add my congratulations to Lynda and the outgoing board for a job extremely well done, and add my hopes and well-wishes to Steve and the incoming board for a great year.

With the transition in mind, this month's interview features our outgoing president, Lynda Walsh. While Sandy already interviewed Lynda last

year, this conversation was geared more to Lynda's thoughts and impressions as she turns over the presidency to Steve Tingle.

"Working with you and for you"

Lynda signs off each of her "Letters from Lynda." She's done a terrific job as Jaycee president this year, and I caught up with



This month interview features outgoing President Lynda Walsh.

Lynda the night before the installation banquet.

BG: "Traditionally, the outgoing president becomes Chairman of the Board. What does that involve?" LW: "Mainly overseeing a smooth transition. I make sure that the new

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From the desk of the co-editors

Well, this is it! Our last Wise Fox. This has been a great learning experience for both of us and we've enjoyed ourselves. We are glad that 99% of our feedback was positive. We wanted to provide you with the Jaycee information and a bit of fun. Based on peoples' responses, we think

we were successful. We wish the new editor(s) the best of luck and give them this advice: Don't take any ONE person too seriously, make the project your own and most of all HAVE FUN! Good luck to the new board and so long!

Scott, Matt and Michele Rogers

Special points of interest:

- Amount American Airlines
 saved by eliminating one olive
 from each salad
 served first
 class: \$40,000
- Average life span of a major league baseball: 7 pitches.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU...

If you see these Jaycees, wish them a great day!



~Pauline Brown	April 10
~Scott Rogers	April 21
~Bill Byrnes	May 15
~Paul Dean	May 1
~Keith Magovern	May 20









Foxboro Jaycees

- May 2 5K Fun Run.
- May 9 Post Office Food Drive.
- May 9 Gordon's Band @ Zeno's.
- May 16 New Members BBQ
- May 23 —SERVE

Becky Semple's son. Zachary, was seriously injured and will be bedridden for many months. Please take some time to send him a card or letter to keep his spirits up.

Requirements: to use the name Lewinsky and Kaczynsky in a limerick.

There once was a gal named Lewinsky Who played on a flute like Stravinsky 'Twas "Hail to the Chief" on this flute made of beef that stole the front page from Kaczynski. --Bill Ward

Said Bill Clinton to young Ms. Lewinsky We don't want to leave clues like Kaczynski, Since you look such a mess, use the hem of your dress And wipe that stuff off of your chinsky. -- Martha Thorrens

Lewinsky and Clinton have shown what Kaczynski must surely have known:

that an intern is better than a bomb in a letter given the choice to be blown. -- David Dieckmann

There was a young girl called Lewinsky, Who caused as much stir as Kaczynski When on Kenneth Starr's lap she confided, when trapped, "Bill Clinton is hung like Nijinsky"*.

(*Nijinsky is a thoroughbred racehorse not to be confused with the ballet dancer.)

-- Deb Robertson & Dan Pacenti

Who's Who Cont.

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guys follow the rules and procedures."

BG: "Looking back on the past year, what are you most proud of?"

LW: "We really have a stronger chapter. Attendance at the GMs is way up... It seems like we're

"Lynda you did an excellent job as Jaycee president. You've achieved many great things for the Jaycees."

more together. Last year I told everyone, "If there are any problems, bring them right to me." I think the "open door" policy really worked. We could nip problems in the bud."

BG: "On a related note, what is your favorite memory as president? What meant the

A duck's

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echo and no

one knows

why.

most to you?"

LW: "Receiving the Key Man award... It brought a real sense of pride. That's what kept me going..." Lynda credits her board with much of this year's success, adding, "I had a SUPER board—a well-oiled machine... It was a really strong board - - that's what made us."

BG: Of the goals you set for yourself and the chapter, were there any you didn't meet?"

LW: "No, actually. I just wanted to be sure everything ran. We have some CD projects that the town is used to having... Those were great. In the ID area we had lots of socials and

fun. Membership is very up;

we have 25 new members.

I'm very happy."

BG: "What was your biggest surprise as president?"

LW: "I'm not the best

speaker - I don't claim to be.

But getting up there in front of

everyone, I was impressed

with the attention span—it was incredible. The amount of respect I received meant a lot to me." BG: "Lynda, can anyone really be READY to be

Jaycee president?"

LW: "Not really. I don't think so. It's a learning

experience. But Beth was a great coach—I owe a lot to her."

BG: "Steve Tingle is the incoming Jaycee president. What advice would you give to him?"

LW: "Steve will be a great asset as president and will bring great new ideas. I'd say to keep an open mind, and have fun with it, because the year goes by so quickly.... It's a tremendous draw on your time but it's so much fun. Last month I was thinking, "I'm so comfortable with this, if they'd let me, I do it another year. Now I'm thinking, OK, it's time for something new."

Lynda, you did an excellent job as Jaycee president. You've achieved many great things for the Jaycees. Thank you for a terrific interview! ©

Well, here we are our 12th and final issue. Now, I can say that all assassination and impeachment attempts were foiled. It was fun, challenging and a lot of work. See page 8 for further details. I'm glad that we took on this project and glad to see it over.

First and foremost, I would like to thank my wonderful wife. Without her assistance and support, I don't know what I would have done. This has been a real busy year with the pregnancy and arrival of Matt. I really appreciate all that you do Michele. I would also like to thank the people who contributed to this year's Wise Fox. Carl Bertoline, Dave Britten, Mark Emery, Lynn Freerkson, Bob Gillis, Jim and Chris Hebert, Bob and Gathy Hickey, Laureen House, Sue Kennedu. Paul Lanza, Jerry Norwood and anyone else I might have

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INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT

It was great having your support this past year, and I look forward to enjoying the great projects to be run by Tom Whiffen and Gayle Workman. Let's support them and attend the following:

MEETINGS & PROGRAMS - Chairman Needed - An excellent way to become a truly integral part of the membership. This involves setting up the meeting hall and providing refreshments once a month for each General Membership meeting. Also, use your creativity and obtain guest speakers and presenters for the membership's consumption. Contact Tom or Gayle if you would like to be the one to do this! Assistance is available from the Board of Directors, by the way, so don't feel that this would be too big a task, for it won't be. Try it, you'll like it!

DEGREES OF JAYCEES - Tracey Apgar - Get a form to update your status from Tracey! This ongoing project is a great way to be recognized and chart your progress as a Jaycee! Speaking of ongoing, as Tracey will now be your Dues Director, she is looking for another member to take this project over. More details at the G.M.

PUBLIC SPEAKING - John Zarrella - John has re-evaluated the interest level and has found it to be wanting of a public speaking presentation. We all look forward to hearing about this fantastic opportunity from John at the next G.M.

VOLLEYBALL - Derek House - Get it up and work it out at the Ahern School on Monday nights. From 7:30 - 9:30 p.m., \$5 will get you sweatin' with the oldies! For more information, call Derek!

INSTALLATION BANQUET - George DiCicco - Our 38th annual "to do" has already happened. As this report was written four hours prior to the bash, I'll only report that Chico and his committee have apparently put together quite the swar'e at the Foxboro Country Club, with estimates of 70 members attending. I hope that everybody enjoyed the evening and helped to welcome our new Board aboard!

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Let's support

FOUNDERS' DAY WORKERS' PARTY - Tom Sawran - The hard work we put in the morning and early afternoon is rewarded by this annual bash, which includes food and liquid refreshments. This also prepares us both physically and mentally for the glow stick sales that are sure to follow (It wouldn't dream of raining on our parade, right?). If you'd like details, contact Tom. All are welcome, and the house is located directly across the street from the new Senior Center. Wasn't it nice of the Town of Foxborough to pave a parking lot just for us? Wow.

PAWTUCKET RED SOX - Chairman Needed - Yup. The baby Sox are the place to be. A chairman is

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needed now so that the trip can be coordinated before all the good seats are gone (and I'm not kidding). Contact Tom or Gayle if you are interested in this project that is a great opportunity for a new member.

PICK'EM UP SOFTBALL - Chairman

Needed - Yup. Jaycee field is the place to be every week as we give it our all to be all that we can be. Softball's the game, and chairman needs to lend his/her name. Good time, great people - just let Tom or Gayle know if you are interested. We do not begin this project until the volleyball folks wrap it up, usually the last week of school.



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missed. We might take all the glory or criticism but your contributions were helpful. We appreciate your assistance.

I hope that you enjoyed this year's Wise Fox. We enjoyed publishing it for you. And remember it takes fewer muscles to smile than to frown.

Scott Rogers





From an edition of the Washington Post

A contest was held in which readers were asked to come up with excuses to miss a day of work (we have only included a few):

- * If it is all the same to you, I won't be coming into work. The voices told me to clean all the guns today.
- * When I got up this morning, I took 2 Ex-Lax in addition to my Prozac. I can't get off the john, but I feel good about it.
- * Constipation has made me a walking time bomb.
- * I just found out that I was switched at birth. Legally, I shouldn't come to work knowing that my employee records may now contain false information.
- *My mother-in-law has come back as one of the Undead and we must track her to her coffin to drive a stake through her heart and give her eternal peace. One day should do it.
- * I am extremely sensitive to a rise in interest rates.
- * I can't come to work today because the EPA has determined that my house is surrounded by wetlands and I have to arrange for helicopter transportation.
- * I prefer to remain an enigma.
- *The psychiatrist said it was an excellent session. He even gave me this jaw restraint so I won't bite things when I'm startled.

Membership by Lynn Freerksen / Julie Grant

Welcome New Members

Matt FergusonJeanne Cherry**Theresa Devlin (Again?)**

Who's Who-Bob Gillis-will continue to inform & entertain us with his column on the new and not so new members.

Mentor Program-A new chairman is needed for this project that matched new members with older, ancient, prehistoric, more seasoned members to keep new members informed about upcoming events.

Jaycee Activation Apparel-Carl Bertolino-Mr. Secretary has been guaranteed that the hats will be ready before Founders' Day. Up to date dues and work on a CD or Ways & Means project (except the Haunted House) will qualify you for a hat.

Web Site Page-Scott Rogers-Shortly I will be handing over web site duties to Bob Gillis. But before being relieved of duties, I have additional pictures that I want to post to our web site. There aren't enough hours in the day. I know that having a web site has been controversial but I believe \$16 month is a worthwhile investment. I want to thank Beth Maddestra for having the insight and ambition to fund the site for the Haunted House. I want to also thank Carl Bertolino, Dave Britton, Chico, Bob Hickey, Firm Locke, Michele Rogers, Mike Savage and Sandy Smith and others whom have all contributed to our Web Site. Last call for any good pictures or ideas for the web site. By the way you can see pictures of Matt on our personal web page www.ici.net/customers/smrogers. Happy Surfing

<u>Call Night</u>-Lynda Magovern-More details will be available at the GM.

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"Be who you are", said the Duchess to Alice, "or if you would like it put more simply, never try to be what you might have been or could have been, other than what you should have been." ~ Lewis Carroll (Alice in Wonderland)

I have accepted fear as a part of life-specifically the fear of change...I have gone ahead despite the pounding in the heart that says: turn back..." ~ Erica Jong

It isn't the
mountain ahead that
wears you out, it's
the grain of sand in
your shoe ~
Unknown

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A Letter From Lynda

CONGRATULATIONS! GOOD LUCK! AND THANK YOU!

I would like everyone to join me in welcoming Jeanne Cherry and Matt Ferguson. Both were sworn in at the April G.M.

A reminder that our Road Race is May 2nd and I expect everyone to help out. We have a situation that is going to require extra manpower this year. The Soccer Association is holding 10 games during the same time as our race will be held. I'm looking for extra help in the parking area.

Also, Founders' Day is right around the corner, Lynn is looking for a chairman for concessions and the rest of the projects will be needing help for the day. I am in charge of the Float this year and will have a sign up sheet at the May GM.

If you attended the Installation Banquet this month, I'm sure you had a fantastic time. Chico and his committee did a fantastic job at showing us a great evening.

CONGRATULATIONS AWARD WINNERS!

Membership Project Of The Year

Membership Booth Update, Scott Rogers

Ways and Means Project Of The Year

Founders' Day Glow Sticks, Lynn Freerksen

Individual Development Project Of The Year

Kids' Christmas Party, Tom Whiffen

Community Development Project Of The Year

Donations Committee, Dave Britton

New Project Of The Year

Haunted House Septic System, Tom Sawran
Project Of The Year

1997 Haunted House, Pete Sorrow

Presidents Appreciation Award
Lynn Freerksen

Chairman Of The Year

Pete SorrowRookie Of The Year

Pauline Brown
Director Of The Year

Director Of The Year

Dave Britton

Officer Of The Year

Steve Tingle

1998 Key Man Bob Hickey The 1997
Darwin
awards have
been
released. If
interested in
getting a
copy e-mail or
contact Scott.

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GOOD LUCK 1998-1999 BOARD MEMBERS!

President, Steve Tingle
Chairman of the Board, Lynda Walsh
Individual Development Vice President, Tom Whiffen
Community Development Vice President, Pete Sorrow
Ways and Means Vice President, Lynn Freerksen
Membership Vice President, Chris Hebert
Secretary, Carl Bertolino
Treasurer, Helene Savage
Individual Development Director, Gayle Workman
Community Development Director, Dave Britton
Ways and Means Director, Kevin Coleman
Membership Director, Mike Savage
Presidential Director, Ed Groh
Dues Director, Tracey Apgar
Donations Director, Scott Rogers

THANK YOU ALL!

The chapter had a super year. It was because of your individual contributions and the Jaycee Spirit that continues to be a large part of our success. I'm looking forward to next year and hoping to stay as involved as I have been this year. Each of you should be very proud of your accomplishments this year. And if you haven't heard it enough, and as Chico would say, Thank you, it's good, okay....

Working with you and for you.

Lynda Walsh 1997-1998 President



Some people have asked who did what and how we published the Wise Fox.

Well the Wise Fox was published using Microsoft Publisher, a pretty good program. It was run off an IBM clone put together by Scott. It featured a Super Micro motherboard, and a Cyrix 166 CPU. Printing was done by a Hewlett Packard 694C. Internet service provided by ICM in Mansfield.

We really worked on this as a team: a married Jaycee couple working together - 'go figure'. One of the more difficult parts was getting the reports on time. We requested the reports the Friday after the Board and they trickled in the beginning of the weeks. We took turns with the layout, importing the reports that were e-mailed or dropped of . Michele did the heavy duty typing. Jokes were from both of us and were also submitted by other members. Michele did the majority of proof reading and editing. Scott handled the labels, calendar and roster. Usually, Scott was the one taking the copy to the editor and mailing the Fox just in time, while Hichele folded, stapled, stamped and labeled. We spent approximately 20-25 plus hours on each issue. There you have it a day in the former co-editors life.

The Rogers Family

Community Development

<u>Post Office Food Drive</u>-Cathy Hickey-Sat. May 9 from 11 am to 3 pm. Manpower is needed. Call Cathy for more information.

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New Members BBQ-Lucy Wilhelm-Don't miss this annual event to be held May 16 at the Wilhelms. Time to be announced at the GM.

<u>Pancake Breakfast Membership Booth</u>-Lucy Wilhelm-Final Report-Lucy gets the credit for signing up Theresa Devlin again.

Founders' Day Membership Booth-Dave Britton-Sign up for an hour to help Dave at the membership booth.

I had a great time with Membership this year & am looking forward to Ways & Means. Thanks to everyone who helped with the Membership projects and welcome to the new members.

Congratulations Bob Hickey Key Man of the Year.

Some winners in a contest for "theories" sponsored by Omni Magazine Runners-Up:

**Why Yawning is Contagious: You yawn to equalize the pressure on your eardrums. This pressure change outside your eardrums unbalances other people's ears pressures, so they must yawn to even it out.

**The Earth may spin faster on its axis due to deforestation. Just as a figure skater's rate of spin increases when the arms are brought in close to the body, the cutting of tall trees may cause our planet to spin dangerously fast.

Honorable Mention:

The quantity of consonants in the English language is constant. If omitted in one place, they turn up in another. When a Bostonian "pahks" his "cah", the lost r's migrate southwest, causing a Texan to "warsh" his car and invest in "erl wells" Grand Prize Winner:

When a cat is dropped, it always lands on its feet, and when toast is dropped, it always land with the buttered side facing down. I propose to strap buttered toast to the back of a cat; the two will hover, spinning inches above the ground. With a giant buttered cat array, a high-speed monorail could easily link New York with Chicago.

BABY WATCH

(WHO'S EXPECTING, WHEN and GENDER)

Paula & Carl Bertolino had a baby girl, Michaela Colleen, born on April 18, 1998. Everyone is doing great!

Congratulations! is the experience of the property of the prope

Teddy Bears for Fire & Police Departments

Scott Rogers is running a program in which the Foxboro Jaycees and other community support groups will donate teddy bears for children who require assistance from the police and fire departments. First of all, we need a catchy title for the program. We look to run this project on an annual basis. Any suggestions, comments or interest in helping out, please contact Scott.

Also, Scott is looking for assistance with the web page, no computer skills necessary, just creative ideas.

WANTED:

WISE FOX EDITOR - MUST BE ABLE TO TYPE, COLLATE AND ASSEMBLE A NEWSLETTER. HARASSMENT SKILLS ARE REQUIRED IN ORDER TO OBTAIN REPORTS ON TIME, MUST BE ABLE TO ROLL WITH THE PUNCHES, PROVIDE ENTERTAINMENT AND MOST OF ALL, HAVE FUN! BENEFITS INCLUDE A COPIER AND STATE OF THE ART **COMPUTER (NOT!)**

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SECRETARY'S REPORT by LUCY WILHELM

Congratulations to our new president, Steve Tingle and his new Board. I'm sure this upcoming year will be as fun and action packed as last year and this looks like a great team of people to get the job done. I will miss being on the Board next year and serving as your secretary...it was a lot of fun, but I'm looking forward to a little more free time. Good luck to the new secretary, Carl Bertolino!! I'm sure he'll do a fine job!

Donations approved at the April GM:

~\$200-Easton Children's Museum Library Pass

Board Approved:

- ~\$100-Nicole Sawran to attend SEMASC
- ~\$100-John Lienack & Mike Lancaster to attend People to People
- ~\$100-Emily Sherlock to attend US Youth Choir Tour
- ~\$100-Alexis Jeanotte to attend National Youth Leadership Forum

<u>Sunshine:</u> Congratulations to Carl & Paula Bertolino on the birth of their 2nd daughter, Michaela Colleen. A bouquet of flowers with Beanie Baby was sent.

New Members:

Matt Ferguson & Jean Cherry - WELCOME!!

New Chairpeople:

Tom Sawran-Founders' Day Work Party

Lynda Walsh-Founders' Day Float

Julie Grant-Fathers' Day Essays

Linda Magovern-Call Night II

Awards:

Geri Ayers, Brian Smith & Sandy Smith - 10 years with the Jaycees

Project of the Month - Associates' Night

Jaycee of the Month - Yours' Truly

Frog of the Month - Lynn Freerksen

P.S. Gordon's band is playing Sat. night, 5/9, at Zeno's at 9 pm in Attleboro. The band is in the middle of their "Asian tour" {The Tahani in Feb....Hong Kong soon} Come and dance!!! Also: I hope to see a lot of faces at the New Members BBQ on May 16th, 5 pm at my house! Lucy



Thank you notes.....

Thanks to everyone for your cards, thoughts and prayers during our recent loss. The Foxboro Jaycees remain as a special group of people.

~ Bob Cole

To the Foxboro Jaycees,

Thank you all so very much for the wonderful time you gave to the senior citizens of Foxboro at the Senior Appreciation Day. The committee chaired by Susan Zachary did an outstanding job making the seniors feel welcome and special. On a personal note, I would like to thank you all for what you do for the people of Foxboro. I also thank you for the kind words expressed to me and the award presented to me. It will hang in my new office at the Senior Center.

~ Sincerely, Lorraine Garland and the Foxboro Seniors.

Dear Jaycees,

Thank you all for the very generous gift certificate to LaDonna. I'm sure that after we are settled in as a married couple, it will be enjoyed and appreciated.

~ David & Carmela Brown

Dear Jaycees,

Once again, I would like to express our gratitude for the wonderful card tables recently donated to

the South Foxboro Community Center. We never realized how bad our old tables were until we received the new ones from you.

Rest assured, these tables were very much needed and appreciated by all who enjoy the South Foxboro Community Center. All of us at the South Foxboro Community Center are grateful for the continued generosity and kindness of the Foxboro Jaycees.

Thank you again!!

~ Clifford R. Curry

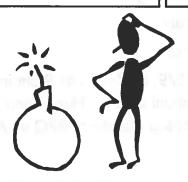
Thank you so much for your generous donation to support my campaign costs. Your benevolence will not be forgotten by myself or my school.

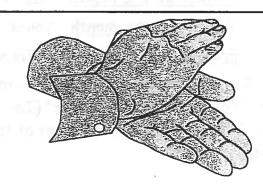
~ Nicole Sawran

Thank you very much for your generous donation towards my student ambassador trip. Your help has brought me very near my goal to raising the \$4000. Because of your support, and others, I need \$300 more dollars to raise the full tuition. Thanks again!

~ Mike Lancaster







DESIDERATA

GO PLACIDLY, AMID THE NOISE & HASTE, & REMEMBER WHAT PEACE THERE MAY BE IN SILENCE. AS FAR AS POSSIBLE WITHOUT SURRENDER BE ON GOOD TERMS WITH ALL PERSONS. Speak your truth quietly & clearly; and listen to others, even the dull & ignorant; they too have their story. ~ Avoid loud & aggressive persons, they are vexatious to the spirit. If you compare yourself with others, you may become vain & bitter; for always there will be greater & lesser persons than yourself. Enjoy your achievements as well as your plans. ~ Keep interested in your own career, however humble; it is a real possession in the changing fortunes of time. Exercise caution in your business affairs; for the world is full of trickery. But let this not blind you to what virtue there is: many persons strive for high ideals; and everywhere life is full of heroism. ~ Be yourself. Especially, do not feign affection. Neither be cynical about love; for in the face of all aridity & disenchantment it is perennial as the grass. ~ Take kindly the counsel of years, gracefully surrendering the things of youth. Nurture strength of spirit to shield you in sudden misfortune. But do not distress yourself with imaginings. Many fears are born of fatigue & loneliness. Beyond a wholesome discipline, be gently with yourself. ~ You are a child of the universe, no less than the trees & the stars; you have a right to be here. And whether or not it is clear to you, no doubt the universe is unfolding as it should. ~ Therefore be at peace with God, whatever you conceive Him to be, and whatever your labors & aspirations, in the noisy confusion of life keep peace with your soul. ~ With all its sham, drudgery & broken dreams, it is still a beautiful world. Be cheerful. Strive to be happy. ~~

BRAIN TEASERS

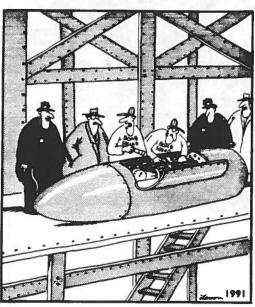
- 1. What has 21 spots but is never ill?
- 2. What was the first man-made object to travel faster than the speed of sound?
- 3. Sid Lightly always maons that if only people told the truth he would sell more of his goods. What does he make?

ANSWERS

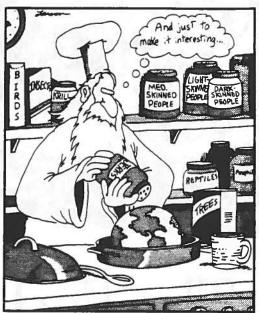
1. A die

2. A whip

3. Candles for Birthday cakes



"Well, it's a delicate situation, sir. ... Sophisticated firing system, hair-trigger mechanisms, and Bob's wife just left him last night, so you know his mind's not into this."



"Mr. Osborne, may I be excused? My brain is full."



The End