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HEY THERE! WELCOME TO THE FIRST INSTALLMENT OF SOMETHING I'M CALLING...

EFF-IN WEIRD

COMIC BOOK CHARACTERS!!

THIS TIME, I'M TAKING ON A JACK KIRBY CONCEPT COMIC FROM THE 70'S CALLED "KOBRA" WHICH MAKES NO EFFIN' SENSE AT ALL!




JASON BURR AND HIS BROTHER WERE BORN AS SIAMESE TWINS, BUT WERE SEPERATED ALMOST IMMEDIATELY...

THE BROTHER WAS ABDUCTED BY A CULT OF SERPENT-WORSHIPPERS WHO SAW THE CHILD AS THEIR FUTURE DIVINE LEADER.

KOBRA



HOW COME HE GETS A STAR-BURST AND I GET JACK???



JASON

OVER THE COURSE OF THEIR LIVES, IT'S DISCOVERED THAT IF ONE BROTHER IS HURT, THE OTHER BROTHER FEELS THE PAIN!!! IT GETS WORSE.



OW. SLUG!!

WHY SHOULD YOU CARE ABOUT TWO BROTHERS, ONE GOOD-ONE EVIL, BEATING THE CRAP OUT OF EACHOTHER, BUT UNABLE TO REALLY DEFEAT EACHOTHER??

POW!!! OW!

OW!

YES! WHY SHOULD I CARE, O-GEEKY ONE, HMM??

TAKE THIS! OW!

DOOF!!

THAT'S JUST IT... THERE IS NO REAL REASON TO CARE. ISSUE #1 OF KOBRA HAS SOME GREAT ART BY JACK KIRBY, BUT IT ONLY SERVES TO START THE BALL ROLLIN' ON A POINTLESS STORY...

OW! OH YA??

THUD!

AS MUCH AS I LIKE MOST OF KIRBY'S UNCONVENTIONAL CONCEPTS, THIS ONE IS JUST PLAIN WACKY, WITH NO REAL POINT TO IT. MUCH LIKE ROAD-RUNNER AND COYOTE CARTOONS!

THIS KIND OF CRAP WENT ON FOR MANY ISSUES... MANY ISSUES

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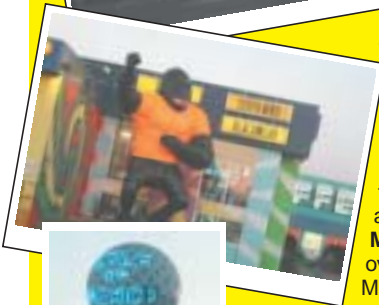

Geek On Down... Geek On Down... Geek On Down the Road

So my brother-in-law **Shawn** and his family are moving to Florida. He brought one of their cars down ahead of the real move and flew back. Here's an excerpt from his travelogue...

● **NJ** - I encountered the largest mall that I have ever seen. How's this for a list of stores: Home Depot, BJ's, Target, an IMAX Theater, and of course your usual Mall anchors. **NJ** is also guilty of vehicular discrimination. At one point there is a toll plaza that only trucks have to stop for.

● **MD** - I'm cruising along at about 75 and all of a sudden traffic in all three lanes is instantly doing 65. After a few miles of this, I realize that one of **Maryland's** finest is in the left lane. All over his cruiser are signs that say 65 MPH pace car. At this point this is the wackiest thing that I have ever seen

● **VA** - The first thing that you are greeted with as you enter **Virginia** is a sign stating that radar detectors are illegal. **Virginia** also topped **MD** for the wackiest thing that I have ever seen...all through the state, there are white lines painted across the road in 1/4 mile intervals. I get on the GB and inquire as to what they are all about and am told that during



the daytime, the Virginia state police fly an airplane and time cars crossing the lines... I guess a radar detector wouldn't do me any good anyway!

● **NC** - The land of a million billboards. The first thing that you notice as you enter **NC** is the 70Mph Speed limit...YAHOO!

The second thing that I noticed about



NC is that the whole damn state was on fire! I stopped for gas and what I thought was fog

was actually smoke from a massive brush fire. Anyway, back to the billboards. About 1/3 of them were for a place called the **Café Risque**. The billboards enticed road weary drivers to stop in for hot food, adult books and toys, topless dancers ("**We Dare to Bare**") and best of all **FREE Showers for truckers!**

Another 1/3 of the boards told of this



fabulous place for kids and parents alike. It was called **South of the Border** and apparently had a Mexican theme. The boards had catchy phrases like "You never sausage a place (You're always a wiener at Pedro's)" and "Pedro's weather...Chili today, Hot Tamale"

Shawn's complete report will be on the **dsquared** website, under "**Geekspeak**", in the travel dept.



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A TYPICAL WEEK IN A GRAPHICS PRODUCTION DEPT.

IT'S 8:30 AM AND I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO SUCCESSFULLY LOG ON TO THE COMPUTER SYSTEM & MY CO-WORKER'S COMPUTER JUST CRASHED.

9:15 AM AND I'M BEING ASKED TO MAKE PROOF CHANGES ON AN AD THAT'S ALREADY GONE TO THE PRINTER...

THIS IS A LAST MINUTE AD ON A ZIP DISK, BUT THE CUSTOMER FORGOT TO INCLUDE FONTS + IMAGES!



OH... THE FILE IS IN PUBLISHER, WHICH NO-ONE SHOULD EVER USE TO DESIGN ADS AND THE ZIP DISK IS A 250 MEG DISK AND WE USE 100'S.

FOR THE THOUSANDTH TIME, THERE'S A PDF IN THE E-MAIL FOLDER, MY COMPUTER JUST FROZE AND WE'RE ON DEAD-LINE. THANKS.

OTHER FAVORITES!

- CUSTOMER DOESN'T KNOW WHAT A FONT EVEN IS...
- TIME-CONSUMING EDITS TO JOBS THAT REALLY LOOK LIKE CRAP...

AND THEY WONDER WHY US DESIGNERS OBSS ABOUT DRINKING!!



ULTIMATE TEAM-UP



UH... ARE WE BATTLING A SCANTILY CLAD CHICK ???

NO, YOU MORON, I'M ON YOUR SIDE, TOO!!!

THEN WHO WE DONE BE GOIN' UP AGAINST?

EL JEFÉ WILL TAKE ON ANYONE ANY WHERE!!

LYBA KUGARU

ACTION GEEK'S GREATEST HEROES BATTLE FORCES OF TOTALLY UN-SPEAKABLE EVIL!!!



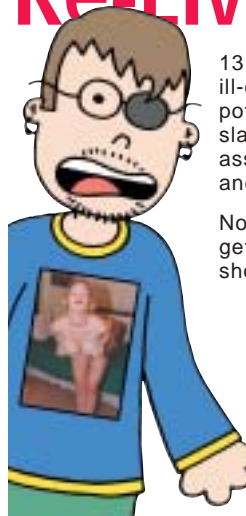
MARK MY WORDS, WORCESTER... IF SOME STUPID CHAIN-STORE FOOD PLACE MOVES IN HERE, YOU'LL HAVE ME TO DEAL WITH!! YOU HEAR ME??







Re-Live the Magic.



13 issues ago, **Action Geek** started out as an ill-conceived hodge-podge of crazy ideas, crackpot theories, some wild graphic design, a dash of slapdash cartooning frenzy and access to a kick-ass color printer. Thirteen issues down the road and not a goddamned thing has changed.

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