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Boy, that escalated quickly...  
I mean, that really got out  
of hand fast!

## THE STATE OF HARD HITTING JOURNALISM

Film at 11

By: El Don

Hard hitting journalism is outdated and pales in comparison to the fact laden editorial opinion. In fact they are fast becoming the quickest way to catch people's attention. In an age filled with shiny objects and computer generated jets that fly across your TV screen, its difficult to keep one's attention on what's really important, Law & Order. Its no surprise then that fact-filled opinions, tempered by the occasional angry shouting match and lost dog story, have replaced more conventional "Hard-Hitting" Journalism and that awkward Ticker at the bottom of your screen. I for one was confused by that ticker and never trusted it, no two sides to the story.



I think that we should all embrace the new model and do away with facts all together. I mean really, whats the difference between *FINDING* the story and *CREATING* it? News is entertainment after all and chasing down Radon gas leaks or potential criminal activity is not as fun as verbal jousting over whether or not OJ used a glove while finding Rita Hallowsay with the help of that dog that got stuck on the ice berg.

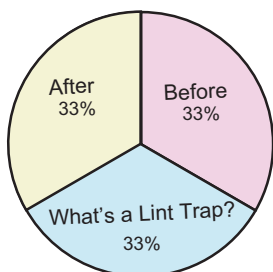
Though I could ramble on this subject interminably for another 2 pages, much to the editors bemusement, I will instead express my views on hard hitting journalism'a outdated nature in a few talking points:

1. Hard Hitting journalism does not hit people hard. In fact, it barely left a mark!
2. It does not contain enough flashy lights and angry on-screen personalities.
3. If the American people cannot support the change in hard hitting journalism then we should boycott the American people.
4. I like fish so Hard Hitting Journalism must be bad for you.
5. France invented Hard Hitting Journalism therefore it is evil.
6. Facts don't matter, balanced opinions do.



### RANDOM NONSENSE POLL QUESTION

When do you take the lint out of the lint trap?



CANDY HEARTS

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

On my last visit to the laundry room, I saw that it was quite full of activity, and feeling guilty about being a bad citizen, I decided to clean the lint trap before I dried my clothes. See, the instructions explicitly say "Remove lint before you use" and NOT "Remove lint after you use". This is a subtle difference but it really matters in the order of operations. When I checked the lint trap prior to my drying cycle, I was astonished to see that it was already clean! Someone, perhaps Mr. Corey Hulse, Laundry Extraordinaire, had misinterpreted the rules and cleaned AFTER their load rather than before. In the end, this ultimately resulted in my clothes emerging from their cycle fresh and lint free, adding to my overall enjoyment of the laundry experience. Takeaway point: clean the lint trap.

- Alexandra Lee

Letter to the Editor:

**J**

-Matt Sklar

## EDITOR'S RANT

Snowboard Cross Is My New Life Goal

*By: Corey Hulse*

Instead of studying for my midterms, I watched the XX Winter Olympic Games. There was one guy from Russia in the men's figure skating competition who dressed like a pirate and skated to music from Pirates of the Caribbean. Also, there's a new Olympic sport called snowboard cross where four riders start at the top of the mountain and then race down to the bottom while hitting insane jumps and knocking each other to the ground for Olympic gold. This is quality good times. My new goal is to be in 2010 Olympics. To start my training, I've whipped out my Super Nintendo and my 1994 Lillehammer Winter Olympics video game and have been practicing. Also, if you're interested in watching something entertaining, you should watch me try to tackle the half-pipe on the Stouffer Ski Trip next weekend.



## STUFFER BY THE NUMBERS



**12**

Days left until Spring Break

**8**

Inches of snow this past weekend

**59**

The temperature two days later (in fahrenheit)

**15**

(in celcius)

## IN THE NEXT TRIBUNE

- \* St. Patty's Day Edition
- \* Another Awesome Contest
- \* Stouffer Continues to Dominate Intramural Sports
- \* Google Image Searches
- \* Whatever YOU submit!
- \* Submit your articles by March 5th!
- \* It'll Be Good, Trust Me

## THE STUFFER TRIBUNE

The Stouffer Tribune is a tri-weekly publication created by the residents of Stouffer College House that is drafted on tuesdays, printed on wednesdays, and delivered on thursdays. However, because of the Penn-Princeton game this past week plus a case of laziness it's now sunday and you're finally getting your long awaited copy. The opinions in this publication are of the individual writers and are not endorsed by Corey Hulse or Stouffer College House. This publication is copyrighted too, so don't try to sell copies or anything because you can get it for free on the World Wide Web. If you've ever submitted anything to the Tribune and then googled yourself, you'll come up with this pdf. When I'm alone, I google myself.

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# LITTLE WOLF RANTS ON...

Vampires and Werewolves

By: Jeff Benshetler

So here we are again, middle of February, on the Full Moon (which also happens to be my birth moon), which means I've been doing some thinking. Has everyone seen the flash animation, "The Ultimate Showdown of Ultimate Destiny"? Where the television and movie mascots of the past face off in a gigantic fight? Well, if you haven't, Google it. So, me being me, and completely BORED with nothing better to do with my time (read: I should be doing school work and/or sleeping), have decided to turn this column into his own personal head-to-head Ultimate Showdown (at least until I have something real to bitch about again).

So who am I pitting against each other in a fight to the death? Chuck Norris and Vin Diesel? No, none of us would survive. Penn and Princeton? No, already decided. Ninjas and Pirates, cliché. No, I chose to focus on the big issues, the ones that affect us all. A classic battle from hundreds of years ago that still rages on today. Yes, that battle:

Vampires VERSUS Werewolves  
Why? WHY THE F\*CK NOT?



VAMPIRES	TOPIC	WEREWOLVES
Traditional gothic clothing, lots of leather and velvet, always clean and vibrant, almost flamboyant <b>ADVANTAGE: Vampires</b>	<b>Fashion</b>	Jeans, t-shirt, often worn with dirt and holes
Large, 16 <sup>th</sup> century castles, Transylvania, Brooklyn, and nightclub basements in St. Louis	<b>Living Spaces</b>	Countrysides and Forests, London, Paris, and nightclub basements in St. Louis (sometimes)
Blood	<b>DRAW</b>	<b>Diet</b>
Nosferatu, Lestat, Dracula, Selene <b>ADVANTAGE: Vampires</b>	<b>Celebrities</b>	Blood and Red Meat <b>ADVANTAGE: Werewolves</b>
Sleep during the day, dead if sunlight hits you, dead on staking through the heart, burn if holy water touches you, burn if a cross touches you	<b>Downsides</b>	Remus Lupin, Michael Jackson, Van Helsing (briefly), Scott Howard
	<b>DRAW</b>	Transform on the full moon, dead if shot with a silver bullet, burn if silver touches you, villagers hate you for killing their cattle, and, oh yeah, that fur problem

So your winner is.... \*drum roll\* WEREWOLVES! Why you might ask? Well, first off, werewolves have always gotten the short end of the stick when it comes to Hollywood. It's starting to get better over the past few years, but it's not quite there yet. Second, a lot freaking less kills werewolves, which I think is key, even though I have it listed as a draw because both options suck. And third, I'M WRITING THIS! DUH!

I'm going to bed =P

Questions? Comments? Defenses? Replies? Contact me at [jbenshet@seas](mailto:jbenshet@seas)

## HOT POCKET!

### Hard Hitting Investigative Journalism

Well, we asked for some hard hitting journalism and we got it! Karl Rove, Deputy White House Chief of Staff, took some time out of his busy schedule to write up an op-ed piece for the Tribune. Since no one else submitted anything, I've also written up an op-ed about lint and I made my roommate type something up at 2am.

We just had another Valentine's Day, and if there were any emotional justice in the world,

**MATT  
CRESPI**

Screw Flanders



it will be the last. That's right, Valentine's Day is an emotional injustice. It is one of the largest causes of Emotional Darwinism, which must be stopped. Just as in Social Darwinism, the rich get richer and the poor get poorer, under Emotional Darwinism, the happy get happier and the unhappy get unhappier. Valentine's Day caters to people who are already happy (especially with their relationships), while depressing those who are more dissatisfied and alone. The happiest people make out like bandits at the expense of the lowest emotional demographic. We wouldn't tolerate a celebration of social injustice -- it's time we stopped putting up with this travesty known as Valentine's Day.

You know what really grinds my gears? Dryer lint. Every month when it comes time to do

**COREY  
HULSE**

World Meets Boy



my laundry I have to pull out that lint trap and remove layers of other people's lint. And don't you love how there are layers of color clearly indicating multiple people have not removed their lint. In other news, what is with those Mayer dryers? Why is it that only two of the washers and two of the dryers are linked to PennCash? We got our act together in Stouffer and made everything linked to PennCash there so why not Mayer? Speaking of not having quarters, where did our change machine go? Please bring it back. And what's with the drying being terrible at drying? Listen up, dryer, I'm talking to you. You're a machine, and your one job is to dry clothes. If you were

I've solved the crisis in Darfur, but no one will listen to me. The answer is white supremacists.

**KARL  
ROVE**

Beat Around The Bush

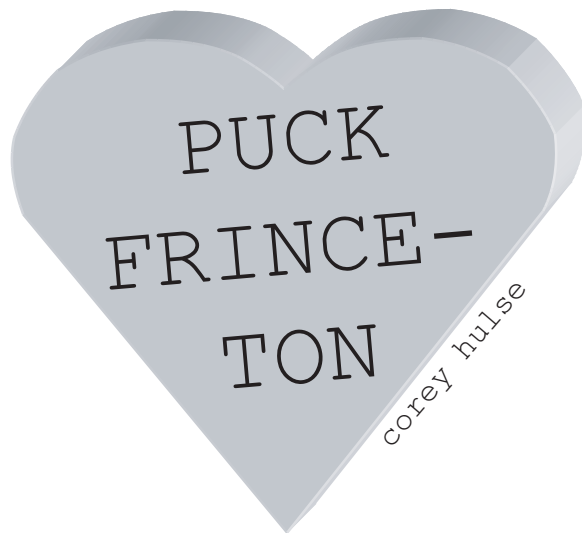


The Sudanese government is killing tribal Africans by the tens of thousands, and why? Because of their dark skin color. The irony of this is, of course, that the perpetrators are a fairly dark shade of brown themselves. That's why instead of exporting food, aid and sanctions, we need to be exporting a bunch of anachronistic rich white southerners who won't stop talking about the War of Northern Aggression (and it's not like we want them anyway). A few decades of picking cotton oughta learn those horrible genocidal criminals a thing or two about race relations. After all, their new masters probably wouldn't, at first glance, even be able to tell the difference between them and those they killed for being too dark-skinned. But every time I tell someone my foolproof plan, they call me a "radical." It's not like the perpetrators don't deserve it.

programmed to do multiple things like dry clothes AND do calculus then I'd cut you some slack on the clothes drying part. But no, you eat my quarters for breakfast and then my clothes are still damp. I've talked with a large group of people (read: three people) who all have complaints about how the evil empire of dryer machines has eaten their quarters and their PennCash all while leaving us with wet clothes that we have to hang over our heaters. One girl I interviewed, Julianne X. of the 7th floor, said that the dryers have eaten \$28.75 off of her PennCard. I challenge Stouffer Steering to take up this issue in regards to the dryers, mainly because I'm too busy eating Hot Pockets and playing Star Wars Battlefront II to do anything productive about it.

# AWESOME CANDY HEARTS

What? Valentine's Day Is Over?



# V-DAY LIMERICK

**By: Phil Nichols**

In 172F lives Amy  
 About whom I am quite crazy  
 She is my wife  
 Best thing in my life  
 So my Valentine's day was insany.

## POEMS BY ADREYO SEN

### The Tea Shop

The coy dance of sand to the warm breath of its hidden beloved,  
 Beckons trespassers to the drowsy dull building, home of eternal tea-time,  
 Crumbling behind the fierce struggle of the gaily painted Ganesh, Coke and Bill Clinton,  
 Shrouded in the mingled scents of a thousand spices and reluctant departures,  
 In the cool red of the dark room, in front of the weathered counter,  
 That proudly sports the confused jugglery of assorted colours called Indian sweets,  
 People of all shades and sizes are seated at the brown- stained steel tables,  
 Their low voices lost in the comfortable din that marks the relaxed evening hours,  
 The speculative mock-bored tones changing to quick- fire allegations,  
 And the saucers rattling as the discussion on Kargil and Autonomy grows heated,  
 College students in a corner discuss current issues over kachoris,  
 Their thoughts punctuated by long English words lost upon the weathered workers,  
 Sitting back, letting the contentment of a day well spent wash their tired faces,  
 And the rattle of their pockets confirm the prospect of a warm welcome,  
 Their brown flaky samosas forgotten to the chagrin of the head waiter,  
 Standing uncertainly behind them, a boy and girl stare into each other's loving eyes,  
 Savouring a few forbidden moments together in the dusk,  
 Ghosh, the diameter of his stomach grown with the shop since it was a small hut,  
 Smiles at them benevolently before shifting his romantic gaze to the quivering bosom,  
 Of his fragile wife as she bends over the dishes,  
 There's life in the old man yet...  
 Only to be interrupted from his thoughts by the hesitant greeting,  
 Of another customer come to savour his time-honoured tea.

### Memories

When I press my face against the moist window,  
 My vision blurred by the thousands of rivers trickling down the panes,  
 And I see the barren apple tree and red sands struggle against the rain's fierce onslaught,  
 Thoughts of them creep into my half-resisting mind,  
 They won't be playing in the rain today,  
 Tasting the drops of water with the tips of their tongues,  
 Or splashing each other with the brown muddy water,  
 They won't run home, their clothes clinging to their backs for the sake of it,  
 Having lost their rain coats on the way to school,  
 Nor will they reply to my amused scolding with outbursts,  
 Nay, they have grown up now,  
 They are big men and busy too, they hardly come here,  
 And their once smothering hugs are preoccupied gentlemanly kisses,  
 Their visits are short and silent, we have lost topics of mutual interest,  
 And painful though I am glad they are independent of me,  
 I am no longer family,  
 Like the barren apple tree, I have carefully nurtured them and anxiously watched them grow,  
 Like the red sands I have provided them security and a platform to enter the world from,  
 And like the barren apple tree and red sands I have lost my children forever,  
 My thoughts are interrupted by the turning of a key,  
 And as the familiar slow footsteps draw nearer I smile,  
 And rise to greet the tired aging man home with a kiss,  
 And we settle down to our daily routine,  
 Turning over the pages of our dust-gathering albums with sighs of pleasure,  
 The end of another long day brightened by a warm realisation,  
 I am better off than the apple tree and the sand,  
 I have someone to share my children's absence with.

## MORE POEMS BY ADREYO SEN

### Freedom

Freedom isn't sharpening your wit at other people's expense,  
 Freedom isn't attacking symbols and traditions you scorn,  
 Freedom isn't the joy of having no responsibilities or cares,  
 Nor is freedom the power to control wide open spaces.  
 Freedom is running across roads that hold no barriers,  
 Freedom is a clear horizon and making your own mistakes,  
 Freedom is the warmth of open laughter and the comfort of unrestrained tears,  
 Freedom is to form your own opinion and stand by it,  
 Freedom is to dream and strive to make your dreams come true,  
 Freedom is letting your own actions define you,  
 Freedom is striking up a conversation with a stranger you meet,  
 Freedom is to trust and give selflessly,  
 Freedom is to have confidence in yourself and your fellowmen,  
 Freedom is the knowledge that you are free...

## TRIBUNE QUOTE OF THE ISSUE

"Some people want it to happen, some wish it would happen, others make it happen."

~ Michael Jordan



## THE INTRAMURAL SMACKDOWN

We've Got Awesome Team Names

By: Michael G. Housman

**Male Competitive E – Stouffer Alarms (2-2) (captain: Josh Gonzales)**

Wed Jan-18: Toon d. Stouffer (55-42)

Wed Jan-25: Stouffer d. Gregory (40-14)

Wed Feb-01: Risers d. Stouffer (55-28)

Wed Feb-15: Stouffer d. Beta (34-33)

Wed Mar-01: Stouffer Alarms vs Stouffer Popsicles @ 8:30 PM on PTRK 1



**Male Competitive E – Stouffer Popsicles (1-3) (captain: Dan Atkins)**

Wed Jan-11: Beta d. Stouffer (26-20)

Wed Jan-18: Risers d. Stouffer (43-14)

Wed Feb-01: Toonsquad d. Stouffer (60-39)

Wed Feb-15: Stouffer d. Gregoristas (140-0)

Wed Mar-01: Stouffer Alarms vs Stouffer Popsicles @ 8:30 PM on PTRK 1



**Co-Rec B – Stouffer Slams (1-2) (captain: Liz Rosenberg)**

Tue Jan-24: Stouffer d. Juice (24-14)

Tue Jan-31: And 3 d. Stouffer (22-10)

Tue Feb-14: Water d. Slams (26-15)

Tue Feb-21: Stouffer Slams vs The Ocho @ 9:15 PM on PTRK 1



## THE HOUSE OFFICE: DVDs - \$1 RENTAL FEE!

2001: A Space Odyssey | 8 Mile | A Few Good Men | A League of Their Own | All About Eve | American President, The | Antonia's Line | Apartment, The | Austin Powers: Goldmember | Austin Powers: The Spy who Shagged Me | Being John Malkovich | Bend it Like Beckham | Big Fish | Big Lebowski, The | Black Hawk Down | Boiler Room | Braveheart | Bridge on the River Kwai, The | Brotherhood of the Wolf | Caddyshack | Casablanca | Chappelle's Show (disc 1 & 2) | Chinatown | Citizen Kane (disc 1 & 2) | Clerks X (disc 1, 2, and 3) | Count of Monte Cristo, The (disc 1 & 2) | Cutting Edge, the | Dial M for Murder (Alfred Hitchcock Collection) | Dodgeball | Dr. Strangelove | E.T. (2 disks: original and 2002 feature) | Edward Scissorhands | Elf (Disc 1&2) | Eraserhead | Eternal Sunshine of the spotless mind | Fight Club | Foreign Correspondent (Alfred Hitchcock Collection) | Forrest Gump | Godfather, The Part I | Godfather, The Part II (disc 1 & 2) | Goodfellas | Goonies, The | Graduate, The | Grosse Pointe Blank | Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets (disc 1&2) | Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban (disc 1&2) | Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone (disc 1&2) | Hitch | Hustler, the | I confess (Alfred Hitchcock Collection) | Incredibles, The (disc 1&2) | Kundun | Lawrence of Arabia | Life Is beautiful | Lost in Translation | Love Actually | Maltese Falcon, The | Miracle (disc 1&2) | Mona Lisa Smile | Moulin Rouge | Mr And Mrs smith (Alfred Hitchcock Collection) | Mr. Deeds | Napoleon Dynamite | North By Northwest (Alfred Hitchcock Collection) | Notting Hill | O Brother, Where Art Thou? | October Sky | Office Space | Old School | On the Waterfront | Patriot, The | Psycho | Rain Man | Roadtrip | Roman Holiday | Rounders | Rudy | Scarface (1932) | Scarface (1983) (disc 1&2) | Shawshank Redemption, The | Shrek | Shrek2 | Sideways | Singin' in the Rain | Some Like It Hot | Something's Gotta Give | Sound of Music, The | Spaceballs | Stage Fright (Alfred Hitchcock Collection) | Star Wars: A New Hope | Star Wars: Return of the Jedi | Star Wars: The Empire Strikes Back | Star Wars: Trilogy Bonus Material | Starsky and Hutch | Strangers on a train (disc 1&2) (Alfred Hitchcock Collection) | Sunset Boulevard | Super Troopers | Suspicion (Alfred Hitchcock Collection) | Swingers | Team America World Police | Tears of the Sun | Top Gun | Under the Tuscan Sun | Wet Hot American Summer | Willow | Wizard of Oz, The | Wrong Man, The (Alfred Hitchcock Collection) | Zoolander |

## STOUFFER T-SHIRTS

## COMING SOON!

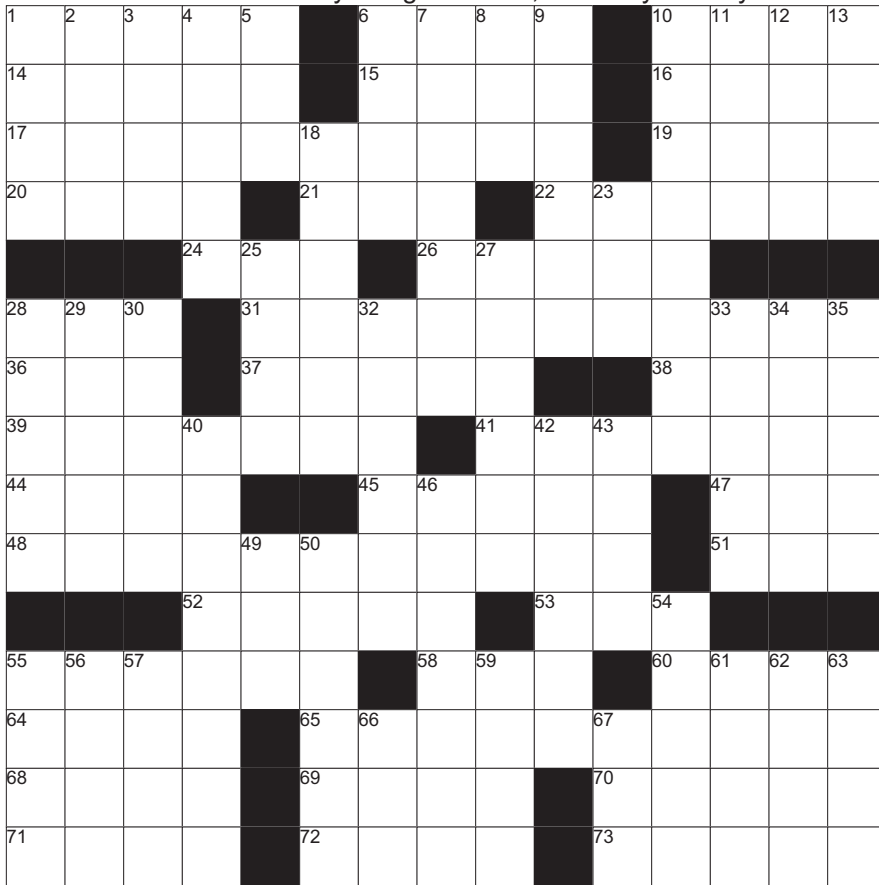
*we're so money,  
and you don't even know it*



# TRIBUNE CROSSWORD CONTEST

Well, I googled "free crossword puzzle" and this is what came up.

2/16/06 JAM SESSION by Doug Peterson, edited by Stanley Newman



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**Across**

- 1 Moved along a curve
- 6 ERA or RBI
- 10 Ring things
- 14 Jeweler's lens
- 15 Bohemian
- 16 Track shape
- 17 In dire straits
- 19 Toy-brick brand
- 20 Board member, briefly
- 21 Commandment complement
- 22 Philanthropist Carnegie
- 24 Med. care option
- 26 Superman's real name
- 28 Scale notes
- 31 In a stressful situation
- 36 King topper
- 37 "Ivanhoe" author
- 38 Subtle atmosphere
- 39 New-car reading
- 41 Walks
- 44 Tag info
- 45 Scoots along

- 47 Sylvester, to Tweety
- 48 Having no options
- 51 Bashful
- 52 With 46 Down, "City Slickers" star
- 53 Alley prowler
- 55 Spanish dance
- 58 Barfly
- 60 Cognizant of
- 64 State firmly
- 65 In trouble
- 68 Handout from a hostess

- 69 Thailand, formerly
- 70 Irani religion
- 71 Busy bugs
- 72 Hard to hold
- 73 Icky residue
- 35 Dapper
- 40 Three-headed watchdog of myth
- 42 "Swan Lake" princess
- 43 Scandinavian capital
- 46 See 52 Across
- 49 Basketball filler

**Down**

- 1 Baby-wipes additive
- 2 Gravy thickener
- 3 Adorable
- 4 Period of time
- 5 Bear lair
- 6 Shopping event
- 7 Knickknack
- 8 Banking convenience
- 9 "Romeo and Juliet" character
- 10 Overlaid decoration
- 11 At any point
- 12 Conjuror
- 13 Not too busy
- 18 "Right now!"
- 23 OT book
- 25 Cologne scent
- 27 Excalibur wielder
- 28 Roundup rope
- 29 Last part of "The Crucible"
- 30 Commandeer
- 32 Type of fin
- 33 Sudden winds
- 34 Heap of literature
- 50 Halter, e.g.
- 54 Principled
- 55 Crimson Tide, to fans
- 56 Bakery need
- 57 Fast season
- 59 "Good heavens!"
- 61 Classic soda brand
- 62 Cardinals or Orioles
- 63 Steinbeck migrant
- 66 Flaky dessert
- 67 "CSI" network



**CONTEST!**

Complete the Sudoku and turn it in to Mayer 309 or the Stouffer House Office by 8pm on Wednesday February 22nd and you will be entered into a drawing for a \$10 gift certificate to anywhere. Seriously. Everyone who finishes it and turns it in will get an "I'm Awesome at Crosswords" certificate.

Congrats to our latest winner: Chris De Simone (\$10 to christopherwalken.com)