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Last Month...

- Oon-Alraha and his Mighty Incarks won the Biped Soccer tournament 12-3 against the Not-Men. "Péle next," boomed the victor at the post-game weenie roast. Details on page 5.

- Something spent all night of the 4th whispering into the radio telescope at Arecibo in Puerto Rico. We'd like to remind all of you who speak in radio frequencies that humans haven't yet figured out that we're here, and we'd like to keep it that way. So knock it off, huh?

- Yes, it's true. Frini-Kili-Uba from Wolff's won one of the three top Oscars at the Academy Awards ceremony last month. (We'll let you guess which one.) UBA's hilarious human impersonations have entertained many of us at her exclusive Wolff parties. Over a billion humans reportedly watched the Awards, and no one was the wiser. Congratulations, Uba!

Thrinjistan Raffle

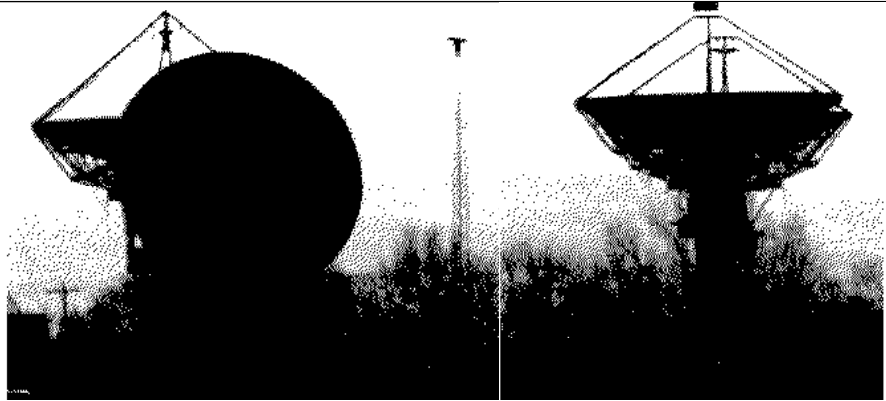
This Zeepsday, the popular, fun-loving Filjans from Aldebaran will be raffling off their blue Thrinjistan. The event is scheduled for midnight at the base of the Arizona crater. (Yes, Krastikka, we know it's not a crater. Just keep it to yourself.)

"We're trying to raise credits for the poor Centauri budlings," Pillja Filjan said. "It's a good cause. We hope you'll slither on over."

Special Notice

The annual iguana fest on Galapagos Island has been postponed until next month, after the Strithinitals from Tau Ceti leave. It seems they're descended from creatures amazingly similar to the iguanas. Ik and Ichi, our apologies.

New Inter-Galactic Phone Net Installed



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*Settling of America caused
four-century delay.*
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Ibile Bock and her crew have completed the new inter-galactic phone system, under construction since just before Columbus arrived in America. Those of you who want to phone home immediately, contact Ibile. If you can wait, she will be coming around to install the new circuits in your home "as soon as possible, or maybe a little longer."

"It was Columbus' fault. We had to keep moving the darn thing west," she said. "How was I supposed to know Isabella would actually give him the money? I wouldn't have."

The new system supports 1.3 million simultaneous two-way high-density trideo and audio conversations. "Unless the Sirians are on line," Ibile said, "then it's just two. They're such frequency hogs."



Not a Threndorshintaffa!

Don't be fooled by the sullen stare and hairy arms. This is not an ε -Eridani Threndorshintaffa. Don't eat it!

radiation without fish. It's not my fault!"

Once their error had been discovered, it took four years to get out of the reactor. "They don't just crack them open every Sunday, you know," Oklidity said. "But they should."

Party in Paris

Come to the underground on the Left Bank this coming Zeepsday for a party you'll never forget. Tithi-umbla is celebrating one thousand years since budding. Bring your own air.

Methane News

Methaforming on Titan

Yes, we know you're all sick and tired of having to go to Los Angeles to breathe fresh air "like Momma used to make." But cheer up! It will only be another few million years before Titan is livable.

"Project good. Project OK. Project great," said lisiikiishii, the methaforming project boss. He/she/it demonstrated that simple methane-breathing lower life forms, such as the delectable likiis, no longer explode into flames when exposed to the raw Titan atmosphere. "So far, so good," lisiikiishii told us.

In the unlikely event that the Titan project should fail, the methaforming team thinks that they can do the job on Saturn. "Oh, Saturn, very tasty," said lituupiisuu, lisiikiishii's day shift boss. "No problem. Easy. Two, three billion years and we'll be all set, eating like kings."

So hold your breath a bit longer, and try to live on Cherry Pop Tarts™. Good air is on the way.

Reactor Test

A number of energetic Sylthians have been conducting an experiment for the last few years to determine whether they can survive living inside of nuclear power plants.

"The answer is NO," said the sole survivor, Oklidity Okli. "No good, stay out. We thought that these low-power reactors the humans use would be just like home. You know, privacy and lots of radiation."

It turned out, however, that there are no fish inside the reactors. This was a serious miscalculation by the Sylthian teams, who require fish to breathe.

"Well, how were we to know they wouldn't have fish in there?" Oklidity said. "I've never seen

Oxygen News

Mars Tours

Humans won't set foot on it for at least a decade, but you can be on Mars tomorrow! Intra-Sol Tours is having a special this month on their Red Planet Tour, for oxygen-breathers only. Four pricing plans put this tour within any being's budget.

Highlights of the tour include visits to both Viking landing sights, where tourists will be encouraged to carve their initials on the landers; bathing in below-ground private baths, using some of Mars' last liquid water; hiking the vast canyons; rappelling down Olympus Mons, the second largest volcano in the solar system; and jitterbugging on Phobos and Deimos.

Contact Intra-Sol Tours for more information.

Slight Variances

Many beings have written to us complaining about the lack of this or that rare chemical in Earth's atmosphere, or too much carbon dioxide, or not enough water vapor, or what's that funny smell they always sense in their home town.

We'd like to collate all this information, so please fill out the form at the bottom of page 7 and mail it to us. If we get a consensus on how Earth's atmosphere can be improved, we'll buy a couple of large factories and see if we can't change it.

Yrgalungen Go Home

The famous and popular Yrgalungen from Barnard's will be returning home this month after three centuries of exile. Yrgalungen has been the largest being on the planet since his arrival.

"My sister's husband Yrtlugga finally retired, so it's safe to go back," the big guy said. "I'm ecstatic. I was getting tired of trying to find polite ways to say 'no' to blue whales."

Yrgalungen is about 340 meters long, displaces 1.25 million cubic meters of water, weighs in at over 100 million kilograms, and his favorite football team is the Cleveland Browns. "I love their style," he said.

After Yrgalungen leaves, the largest being on Earth will be IpoKo, who promises to live up to the reputation set by "the big guy."