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FROM O'REILLY (5):

The soundtrack to the film *Jawbreaker* contained the first track on their first album, which drew Ramones comparisons. However, their real influences were indicated by the two covers they included on their third and fourth albums, namely Motley Crue's "Too Fast For Love" on *Get Skintight* and Judas Priest's "Living After Midnight" on *Turn 21*. Ford, Robertson, Anderson and Castellano are the member's last names that are seldom heard since the members prefer to use only their surname's initials. For ten points, name this all-girl hard rock band whose albums include the recent release *Gold Medal* and their 2002 breakthrough *Spend the Night* that featured the single "Take it Off."

Answer: The **Donnas**

While suffering from kidney stones the size of Skittles earlier this year, the editor of this packet remarked that the stones looked much like the main weapon used in this film. Directed by the man who brought you such better films as *Bullitt* and *Breaking Away*, its cast includes such future luminaries as Liam Neeson, and visual effects by Oscar winner Derek Meddings. None of this can help the muddled plot of this 1983 fantasy film, where plot devices and new fantastic creatures appear like so many video game moments, which may explain why the Atari video game is marginally better than the film. FTP – name this film, featuring a weapon called The Glaive, taking place on the titular planet, featuring a 50-foot tall beast who wants to make it with regular sized Lysette Anthony.

Answer: **Krull** (many thanks to TRASH for the board game)

Two of his creations have been labeled the "best thing ever in the history of television," but his only non-television credit, *Brimstone and Treacle*, was a bomb, both commercially and critically. In his final televised interview, he drinks a mixture of champagne and liquid morphine while discussing the productions of his most recent works, *Karaoke*, and *Cold Fusion*, both of which were completed after his death, and both of which contain his repeated themes of the beauty of 1920's songs, the psychological damage sexual desire can cause, and the death of romance. FTP – name this giant of British television, creator of the original versions of *The Singing Detective* and *Pennies From Heaven*.

Answer: **Dennis Potter**

It closes with the "Chant of the Ever Circling Skeletal Family" and begins with "Future Legend", a spoken word track concluding with the announcement, "This ain't rock and roll, this is genocide." Its songs "1984" and "Big Brother" are the most obvious fossils of the artist's original idea for this album, which was to make an album version of the novel *1984*, a plan blocked by Orwell's widow. It featured the work of various session musicians since the artist had just disbanded the Spiders from Mars before recording it. For ten points, name this alliterative 1974 David Bowie album best known for "Rebel Rebel" and its alliterative title track.

Answer: **Diamond Dogs**

He first met Ray Bradbury at one of Forrest J. Ackerman's sci-fi club meetings, and he would later help out with a film based on Bradbury's short story "The Foghorn", titled *The Beast From 20,000 Fathoms*. After abandoning his first attempt at a film, *Evolution*, because of the Rite of Spring sequence in Disney's *Fantasia*, he collaborated with George Pal on his series of *Puppetoons* before working on *Mighty Joe Young*, his breakthrough film. FTP – name this king of stop-motion animation, whose work includes such classics as *Jason and the Argonauts*, *Earth vs. the Flying Saucers*, and *The 7th Voyage of Sinbad*.

Answer: **Ray Harryhausen**

FROM MOTHRA (5)

The photographs: "The Invitation Card", "lil'kim", "las vegas flaunt 1998", "surgery story" and others. The videos: "It's My Life" by No Doubt. "Natural Blues" by Moby. "Dirrty", "Stripped", and "The Voice Within" by Christina Aguilera. "Feeling This" by Blink-182. FTP, who is this photographer who can get celebrities to pose for him in weird situations, and who has become the king of music television as the director of the above videos as well as many others, whose name sounds like a Frenchified version of the name of a comedian with an eponymous show on Comedy Central.

Answer: **David LaChapelle**

Played on a map of 10 cities and with a deck of cards, which must remain in their proper order, this game revolves around the Bohn Hanse, a trade union of cities and merchants in the middle ages. Each player must draw random order cards and travel from city to city attempting to fulfill their orders to gain thalers. However the roads through cities such as Bremen and Groningen are rutty and there are high tolls that make travel difficult. For ten points, name this board game, a spin off of Bohnanza, in which players must deliver the title product to gain the most thalers to win.

Answer: **Bean Trader**

From Enumclaw, Washington, he was carefully groomed by the Ford team for a few years, so Ray Evernham had to fight to break him out of his Ford contract. Since Ford only had a Busch ride to offer, he was able to go over to Evernham. His only Busch victory came at Homestead, Florida at the end of 2003. To start 2004 on the Nextel Circuit, he shook off engine troubles at Daytona to have back-to-back second place finishes at the next two races, and captured the pole at Las Vegas, but he didn't make it into the chase for the championship. FTP, name this rookie, who now fills the seat once used by Bill Elliott in the Number 9 Dodge flagship car.

Answer: Kasey **Kahne**

He began playing guitar at age 6 and was winning country music talent shows by age 8. After some success overseas, he moved to Nashville and formed a band called The Ranch, which received critical acclaim. He then pursued his solo career and won the Country Music Association's prestigious Horizon Award in 2001 for his first album. His second album, *Golden Road*, spent 100 weeks on the charts and he was country radio's most played artist of 2003. For ten points identify this Australian-born country star that had number one hits with "But for the Grace of God," "Who Wouldn't Want to Be Me," and "Somebody Like You"

Answer: **Keith Urban**

This beverage was said to be concocted in Taiwan in the early 1980s. Web sources can't seem to identify the innovative vendor who combined cool tea with fruit flavoring, but they all seem to agree that it was Liu Han-Chieh's idea to add tapioca pearls to the mixture. These pearls at the bottom, along with the foam found at the top of a glass, lend the drink one of its most common names. For ten points, identify this beverage that offers a bit of toil and trouble to make.

Answer: **bubble tea** (accept "BBT", "QQ", "zhen zhou nai cha", and variations on "pearl tea", "tapioca milk tea", or "boba")

FROM DIVINYLS CODE (3)

On November 26, 2004, a woman with a cat named "Mr. Snuggles," a crying baby, "Dennis", "Heartbreaker," Cheech Marin, and Ice-T were among the personalities waking people up all over the country for what was billed as "The World's Largest Wake Up Call." FTP, what US retailer offered this promotion for their "Two Day Sale"?

Answer: **Target**

In 2003, they released "Me and My Brother" and their exposure became more mainstream, appearing on Britney Spears' album "In the Zone" and on her TV special of the same name. Comprised of Kaine and D-Roc, they first tasted success in 2000 with the single "Whistle While You Twurk". In 2003, they had hits of their own with "Naggin'," "What's Happnin'?" and the Lil' Jon-produced crunk party anthem "Salt Shaker." FTP, name this Atlanta-based group.

Answer: The **Ying Yang Twins**

Founded in 1969 in Seattle, this chain now comprises over 200 locations, mostly on the west coast but with some sprinkled through the midwest and mid-Atlantic areas. Espousing the core values of honor, integrity, continually seeking knowledge and having fun, they sometimes translate these values into what they refer to as "unbridled acts" of service. That's all well and good; most people just go there for the selection of gourmet burgers that come with unlimited fries. FTP, name this restaurant chain whose titular mascot is a colorful bird.

Answer: **Red Robin**

FROM YOUNG/SOUTHARD/FINE (3)

Among your more common enemies are the Rolpher and Molgolin. The lands you travel to include Lapis, Rolsa, Garloz, and Gran Mountain, and the monstrous enemies you must defeat include Dorado, Eruga, and Garba. Among the items you collect on your journey are a Wind Pulley, a Pegasus Flute, and a Suit of Armor and Coat of Arms given to you by the benevolent Indora Gods, and you start with your main weapon, a yo-yo-like spiked shield called a Diskarmor. FTP name this popular NES game, in which your goal was to open the "Doors to Peace" for the people of Argool by defeating the evil king Ligar.

Answer: **Rygar**

Mentioned briefly in President Bush's 2003 State of the Union Address, Congress passed the Protect Act to combat this practice. Ricky Martin will serve as celebrity spokesperson in a planned UN campaign against this. Air France plays a video before some of its long-haul flights warning passengers against this activity. 86-year old John Seljan of California is the first American to have been tried and convicted this, though the first guilty plea came from Michael Clark of Seattle, who was arrested overseas. World Vision Enterprises received a State Department grant for admonitory billboards in Costa Rica, Thailand, and Cambodia. FTP name this activity of American and European travelers, the subject of Dominican documentary *Sex With Angels*.

Answer: **Child Sex Tourism** (accept equivalent)

Formula One world champion Jody Scheckter; cricketers Jonty Rhodes and Hansie Cronje; distance runner Zola Budd; and tennis players Cliff Drysdale and Amanda Coetzer are all athletes that hail from this nation. FTP which country is perhaps best known for its golfers, including Retief Goosen, Ernie Els, and Gary Player?

Answer: **South Africa**

FROM PSEUDO-VANDY (3)

Bongo Java became world-famous in December 1996 when they baked a mysterious cinnamon pastry that looks like a religious figure. The pastry was featured on Prime Time Country, Strange Universe, and many news shows, and was joked about by Letterman and Leno. The Nashville, TN coffeehouse found fifteen minutes of fame when they baked a cinnamon pastry that mysteriously resembled Mother Theresa. FTP, what name did they give the heavenly pastry?

Answer: **NunBun** (also accept **Immaculate Confection**)

Born to colonists from the Federation colony world K-2L, this video game character has cameos in Nintendo's Tetris, Super Mario RPG, and Kirby Super Star. Before the most recent game in the series was released, a website called Channel 51, which was modeled after conspiracy-theory websites, was published, giving hints to the creatures which inhabit the game's world. FTP, name this space bounty hunter, raised by the Chozo, who fights Space Pirates and other creatures in Nintendo's new release, Metroid Prime 2: Echoes.

Answer: **Samus Aran**

Some of their lesser known releases and acquires include Keyhole, Picasa photo organizer and Blogger. They garnered a lot of confusion and application earlier this year for a billboard that said "first ten-digit prime in consecutive digits of e.com", which if properly deciphered, sent you to yet another difficult math question, which eventually led you to a job application. This isn't new for, FTP, this quirky company that's been pushing the bounds of what an internet business should be, with groundbreaking e-mail services, data mining, and its namesake search engine.

Answer: **Google**

FROM SOUL TRUCK (4)

Her family owned several restaurants in Massachusetts called The Carvery before resettling to New York. After starting out at the candy counter for Macy's Marketplace in New York City, she eventually became food buyer for a gourmet store in upstate New York, where she started a series of cooking classes called "30 Minute Meals." These became a local TV hit, and success on the Food Network and a 1993 lingerie spread in FHM followed. FTP, name this host of "\$40 a Day" and her new show "Inside Dish."

Answer: **Rachael Ray**

It was founded by Chris Wagner in 1966 as a wargaming fanzine, but in 1969 was acquired by Jim Dunnigan, who revolutionized the game market by publishing a new wargame in each issue and using a computerized feedback system to gauge customer response. After financial problems doomed SPI, its parent company, this magazine was sold to TSR, and is today published by Decision Games. FTP, what is this influential magazine whose title encompasses two major theoretical aspects of war?

Answer: **Strategy & Tactics**

This staple food in the parking lot before Phish or Dead concerts is so simple and easy to make that the "Joy of Cooking" doesn't even give a specific recipe for its basic form. Which is a shame, given the profit potential: the tricky part is getting the image of the Virgin Mary on one side. FTP, what is this sandwich, a ten-year-old one of which was bought on Ebay for \$28,000 in November, 2004, by GoldenPalace.com?

Answer: **Grilled cheese sandwich**

The February, 2002 shooting death of Walter Holley in a fight over a counterfeit fifty dollar bill brought killer Dion Coleman his 15 minutes of fame; not because he shot Holley eleven times, but because his jury went on national television just days after the verdict to discuss the case. Leading the discussion was one of the jurors. FTP, name this billionaire Chicago-based talk-show host.

Answer: **Oprah Winfrey**

FROM THE GERBIL EXPRESS (2)

The first was a 13-foot long version introduced in 1936. A 1952 model is on permanent display at the Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn, Michigan. Al Unser drove one 100 mph at the Indianapolis Speedway. The parent company estimates that 90% of Americans have seen one. The current version boasts GPS technology, relish-colored seats and a hotdog shaped dashboard. FTP, name the rolling symbol of Oscar Meyer.

Answer: **WEINERMOBILE**

After graduating from Berea College in 1964 with a math degree, he worked for Ford in assembly and tooling, but was more interested in engines and racing. He joined a drag racing group called "The Fastbacks" and would eventually leave Ford to work on engines for drag racers, eventually partnering with Wayne Gapp to win AHRA, NHRA, and IRHA titles. He would move to SCAA and IMSA cars in 1984 and NASCAR in 1988, and still has his first driver, Mark Martin, working for him. FTP, name this racing team owner whose other drivers include 2004 Nextel Cup champ Kurt Busch.

Answer: **Jack ROUSH**

FROM FIVE PEOPLE/TRIAL BY JURY (2)

Awarded Japan's 2001 Character of the Year, its distinctive photographic angle gives what it terms a "museum-like effect" to its subjects. Since introduction, it's spawned everything from an Uno game to cake decorating kits, but is most often seen in plushes, stationery, and of course, chew toys. For 10 points--name this product license consisting of a white background and a giant nosed canine.

Answer: **The Dog**

Begun in 1969 as a home business for South Hadley, Massachusetts teenager Mike Kittredge after a Christmas present he made for his mother proved popular with neighbors. Featuring the large and powerful Housewamer line, its top selling scents include Storm Watch, Clean Cotton, Ocean Water, and Butter Cream. For 10 points--name this homewares firm, America's largest maker of scented candles, named for the company's New England origins.

Answer: **Yankee Candle Company**

FROM CHRONICLES OF RIDDICK BOWE (5)

Born in Colorado in 1945, she spent a few years as a schoolteacher before giving birth to a daughter and deciding to become a full-time writer. Her early sales were mostly to *True Romance* and *True Confessions* magazines as a way to pay the bills, and her first science-fiction sale was "The Secret of Santa Titicaca" to *Worlds of If* in 1971. She broke through in 1982 with her novelette "Fire Watch," which won the Hugo and Nebula awards that year, a sweep she'd repeat the following year with the short story "A Letter from the Clearys." She swept both awards three more times, including the 1992 novel awards for her masterpiece, *The Doomsday Book*. FTP, name this winner of more Hugo and Nebula awards than any other writer, author of such novels as *Passage* and *To Say Nothing of the Dog*.

Answer: **Connie Willis**

The company was founded in 1982 under the name "Hi-Toro," by a group of disgruntled former Atari employees. To fund their primary project, they released peripherals such as the Joyboard and the Powerstick, as well as Atari 2600 games like *Surf's Up* and *Mogul Maniac*. However, the peripheral and game manufacturing were covers for their real goal, which was the design of an incredibly-high end but affordable graphic processing computer. FTP, name this computer company that was co-founded by the legendary Jay Miner, and purchased by Commodore in 1984.

Answer: **Amiga** (do not accept "Commodore")

He finished his career with 254 wins for four American League teams. He also led the league six times in wild pitches, pretty impressive for a man who doesn't throw a knuckleball. His no-hitter on opening day of 1984 sparked one of his best seasons, ending with two complete-game victories over the Padres in the World Series. His 1992 World Series wasn't as good, as he lost twice for the Blue Jays, but in 1991 he pitched one of the most memorable games in postseason history, throwing a ten-inning shutout against the Braves in game seven to win the series for the Twins and the World Series MVP for himself. Known as much for his bad attitude and harassment of female reporters as for his on-the-filed accomplishments, he has not yet been elected to the Hall of Fame, although his support has grown over the last five years. FTP, name this Detroit Tigers great.

Answer: **Jack Morris**

She was raised in Chicago and New Jersey, but moved to New York City in 1967, where she became Robert Mapplethorpe's lover. She then spent a couple of years in Paris busking on the streets before moving back to New York, getting involved with Sam Shepherd, and co-writing the play *Cowboy Mouth*. She spent the next few years around the New York art rock scene, writing songs for such groups as The Blue Oyster Cult, before finally breaking through in 1975 with *Horses*, the first album by any of the CBGB crowd, and the first art-punk album. Later career highlights included co-writing the ballad "Because the Night" with Bruce Springsteen and a career writing poetry. FTP, name this woman, known as the "poet laureate of punk rock."

Answer: **Patti Smith**

It features many of the director's regulars, including Donald Pleasance, Dennis Dun, Dirk Blocker, and Victor Wong, as well as a synth-based score that's considered one of his best. A group of scientists and theologians are investigating a mysterious cylinder found in an abandoned church. Prophetic dreams sent from the future reveal that the cylinder may contain Satan himself, and the scientists are slowly getting taken over by the forces of evil. The local homeless population, including Alice Cooper, slowly descends on the church, and the final conflict to prevent Satan from releasing the Anti-God culminates in the sacrifice of Lisa Blount's character to save the world. FTP, name this 1987 cult favorite directed by John Carpenter.

Answer: **Prince of Darkness**