

"That is the story. Do you think there is any way of making them believe it?" (Plato, 380BC)

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RESTAURANT LAVATORY SUICIDE WAVE!

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"Not on the Menu", says Mayor Crandall



Realistic Re-enactment Bruce Lobrow Photo

AP__The North Bergen Coroner's Office has released some disturbing statistics concerning local suicides. It appears that over a dozen middle-aged men have taken their lives in the last 60 days while using the restrooms at various Gypstowner restaurants. In each case, the decedent had recently purchased and listened to the new comedy album from Richard Belzer, "This'll Kill You".

Detectives are looking into any possible link between the comedy album and the rash of suicides.

In Thursday's interview, NBPD spokesman Bernard Hersher expressed doubts about any possible connections. "Have you ever heard Richard Belzer?", he asked.



Officer Hersher

Mayor Crandall has ordered an investigation, expressing confidence that there are reasons for the sudden jump in the suicide rate. "I've got specialists working on it",

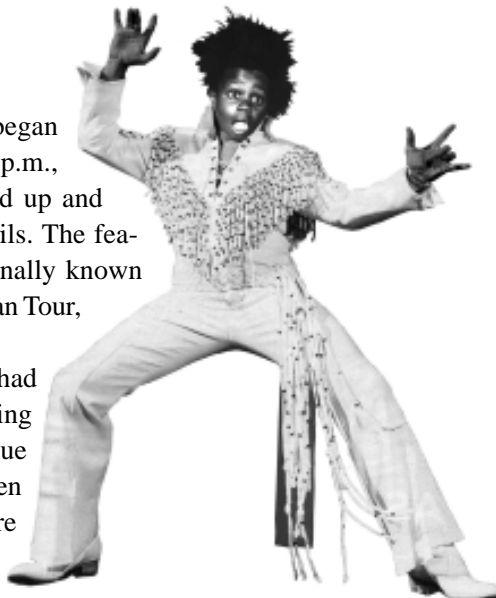
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BUCKWHEAT ELVIS LIVE at ARENA Record Crowds Attend Debut

By Marston Tidwell
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North Bergen Bureau__ The screaming fans began to arrive at CurryCorp Arena around seven p.m., nearly two hours before the stage lights fired up and the musicians began to tune their glockenspeils. The featured artist, Z Bucky Dawg-Dawg, professionally known as Buckwheat Elvis, has kicked off his American Tour, making North Bergen his first stop.

His unique experimental musical stylings had hordes of tittering female teens agog and gasping for breath at the concert. Security at the venue was tight, and several girls who had fainted when listening to "Baby, Baby, Uh..Baby, Yeah" were recovering in a hastily erected tent in the arena parking lot. Wendy Perkins, 15, of Quaintsville, summed up the evening when she said "Omgod, [see "Siiighh", Page A6



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Diet Guru In Town



By Clark Kent
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North Bergen Bureau__ She's big, she's colorful, and she's here. Eileen DeLaFleur, famous author of "You, Me, and Our Twinkies", is currently appearing twice daily at the

Eileen DeLaFleur FoodCon convention to tout her newest book.

Her initial appearance was delayed slightly when her taxi driver went missing. He was later found, unconscious and suffering from cracked ribs and a black eye, received when he was accidentally sat on in

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INSIDE

LOCAL

Pierce Brosnan OK

After emerging from a shmutz-induced coma, Brosnan is back to exercising, now recognizes family members, but still can't believe they gave his job to Daniel Craig. **A7**

NATION

Diebold's No-Bid Contract

The maker of the easily hacked voting machines is a favorite of the Administration, but legal problems loom. **E1**

ENTERTAINMENT

New Reality Show

"So You Think You Can Box?" begins auditions in Parma, Ohio. Contestants will battle in rolling bubble. **D3**

BUSINESS

Super Seller

Big Finger Industries marks the two millionth sale of their flagship item, the Magic One-Fingered Driving Glove. Winter drivers in NYC love it. **F1**