

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

## LARRY KING'S NEW FORMAT

**Gilbert Gottfried Heir Apparent**  
"Gil and Larry Show" Debuts Tuesday



"I like this man". AP photo.

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North Bergen, AP. -- The live talk television world was surprised last night at Larry King's announcement that he was grooming a successor and considering retirement soon.

"I believe that Gilbert has the mouth and the same probing interview style as I", said King at the after-show news conference. "He's passionate about his work. Check out his performance as Dr. Spleen in *Funky Monkey*." King then laughed so hard he had to have a drink of water and swooned slightly, then continued. "The intensity he showed as Hitler in *Highway to Hell* was

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## GUNNSMYTHE GETS NIKE DEAL

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North Bergen, UPI. - In a dramatic announcement today, Larsen Gunnsmythe, the Extreme Tiddleywinks Champion, revealed a



Larsen Gunnsmythe, AP Photo

multimillion dollar deal to endorse a line of shoes and equipment for Nike. In addition to the numerous winksquidges and winks with his signature, two new sports energy drinks, The Gunn's RedZone and GreenZone will be marketed through Big K

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# SHMUTZ, HIPHOP PROVE LETHAL COMBO

## Victim Life-Flighted from Party

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North Bergen, UPI. -- The shmutz epidemic has taken a terrible new turn with the admission last evening of Lanny "Master L" Musselthwaite, to the Mercy Hospital Emergency ward suffering the combined effects of hiphop and shmutz.

"It isn't a pretty sight", said Dr. Bruce Blanton, neurologist. "We've been studying the effects of this particular life-style choice and so far the jury is out on whether the effects can be reversed or even treated".

Apparently this is the first case where the symptoms have been as pronounced. Musselthwaite was deejay for the annual Grunge Retiree's Ball when he suddenly seized up, unable to move his facial muscles or to speak, except in a stage whisper.

The young emcee had been warned in recent days that his continual use of shmutz could possibly have devastating effects on his physical appearance, particularly when taken in an intense hiphop setting. He shrugged off all warnings as the work of small minded religious fundamentalists, in particular, the New Covenant Patriots, the ultraconservative robed and masked group.

Current law in North Bergen prohibits shmutz, but not hiphop. The controversy over hiphop is challenged in the book by



Musselthwaite's Emergency Room photo

the late Slim Dillinger, whose definitive work, "Hiphop Kills", remains on the stocking list at Barnes and Noble.

"Slim is turning over in his grave right now", said Maybelle Purvis, the woman who cradled his head in her hands while he passed away. "He always knew he was right, and now we feel he has been vindicated."

The county life flight chopper picked "L" up at 9 PM after he collapsed while playing his latest popular release, "Uuhh, Yo Yo Booty, Uuhhh". His brother, Hakim

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