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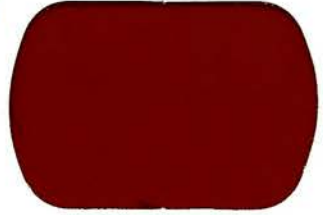
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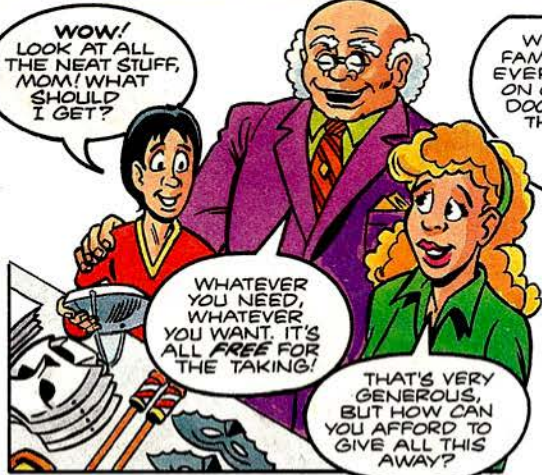
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FANTASTIC HALLOWEEN GIVEAWAY



COME ON, KIDS, DON'T BE SHY! HALLOWEEN NIGHT IS ALMOST HERE AND YOU WANT TO BE READY, DON'T YOU?



WOW! LOOK AT ALL THE NEAT STUFF, MOM! WHAT SHOULD I GET?

WHATEVER YOU NEED, WHATEVER YOU WANT. IT'S ALL FREE FOR THE TAKING!

THAT'S VERY GENEROUS, BUT HOW CAN YOU AFFORD TO GIVE ALL THIS AWAY?

WHEN I WAS LITTLE, MY FAMILY WAS VERY POOR. YET EVERY HALLOWEEN, WE'D PUT ON OUR COSTUMES AND GO FROM DOOR TO DOOR COLLECTING ALL THE TREATS THAT WE COULDN'T AFFORD THE REST OF THE YEAR. IT WAS THE BEST TIME OF MY LIFE.

NOW THAT I'M OLD AND WEALTHY, I WANT TO MAKE SURE HALLOWEEN IS JUST AS SPECIAL FOR ALL THE KIDS IN THE CITY.



BUT ENOUGH REM-INSICING. I MUST GO AND CHECK ON MY OTHER GIVEAWAY STANDS.

THEY ARE, AFTER ALL, ON PRACTICALLY EVERY CORNER IN TOWN. SO LONG, KIDS!



YES, CHEER YOU TINY SIMPLETONS. YOUR SCREECHY LITTLE VOICES NEED TO PRACTICE FOR THE HOWLING YOU'LL BE DOING THIS NIGHT.



**TRICK
or
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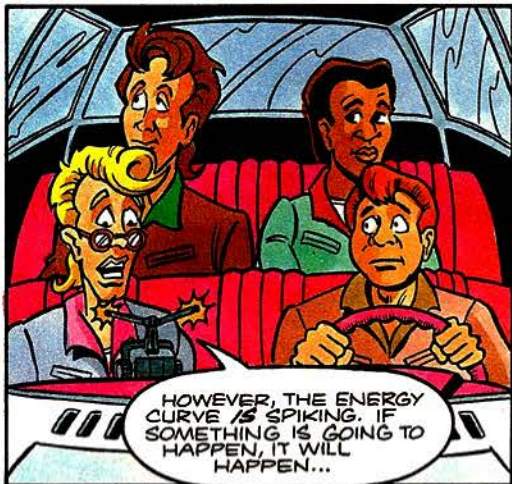






WHERE SHOULD WE BE HEADING, EGON? WE'VE BEEN CRUISIN' AROUND THE CITY FOR AN HOUR NOW.

THE PROBLEM, RAY, IS THAT THE READINGS ARE COMING FROM ALL ACROSS THE CITY.



HOWEVER, THE ENERGY CURVE IS SPIKING. IF SOMETHING IS GOING TO HAPPEN, IT WILL HAPPEN...



NOW!!



NOW IS THE TIME FOR ME TO SHATTER THE BARRIER BETWEEN THE WORLDS OF THE LIVING AND THE DEAD. I WILL FOCUS THE POWER OF TERROR... THE TERROR OF CHILDREN.

WITH THE BARRIER GONE, I WILL ABSORB THE ENERGIES RELEASED AND BECOME ALL-POWERFUL!



Egon Spengler's Parents' Guide For Health and Safety



Children and Depression

The experts say even children can get depressed. Sometimes their feelings of sadness or depression may disappear within a few hours of an upsetting experience. At other times, their depression may hang on a little longer. Be on the alert for behavior indicating that your child is going through a hard time. They may:

- not be able to fall asleep as easily as before or they may sleep too much.
- start overeating or stop eating much at all.
- change their friends or begin to spend a lot of time by themselves in their room.

Parents can help their troubled child with patience and understanding. Encourage children to:

- check out the facts of the situation that's causing them grief. Sometimes people blame themselves for things that really aren't their fault.
- stop all-or-nothing thinking. If a person makes a mistake, it doesn't mean that he or she is stupid or will always make mistakes. It means that *this time* an error was made.
- understand that nothing is for-



ever. If they feel hopeless or sad today, that doesn't mean they'll always feel that way.

- set goals that are reachable. Kids make things hard on themselves by expecting perfection in all things and in all people.
- take care of themselves; eat right; and get enough rest, exercise, and fun.
- most of all, express themselves and talk out their feelings with you.

Familytime Suppertimes

What's supper-time

like at your house? If it's not the enjoyable, get-together time you'd like it to be, try these suggestions:



- If someone gets a phone call, have them call back after the meal.
- Don't let the dinner table be the place for arguments or scolding for non-dinnertime complaints.
- Encourage conversation about work, school, friends, and plans for the weekend together.
- Listen to music instead of the TV.
- Try something different for variety: Have everyone sit in different chairs than they usually do; have a napkin-folding activity before dinnertime.

Remember: The focus doesn't have to be on the food; put the focus on your family!

Subtracting ADD From Your Child's Life

You've probably heard about Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD). It is a condition that occurs in three percent of children, and it makes it difficult for them to stay focused on schoolwork and other activities. To help you sort out your child's behavior from that of a child with ADD, here's a look at the symptoms of Attention Deficit Disorder. Typically children with ADD:

- are fidgety and squirmy
- are not able to wait their turn
- often answer questions before they are completely asked
- may only finish part of something they are working on
- cannot play quietly
- talk a lot, interrupt, or butt in on things other people are doing

- have temper tantrums
- may not do well in school
- may have difficulty dealing with family, friends, and teachers.

Of course, most children behave this way at one time or another. But for children who behave in these ways most of the time and whose behavior gets in the way of their schooling and social activities, a consultation with a doctor is probably in order. ADD may be treated with medications and therapy.



E·G·O·N·'S Q·U·I·C·K T·I·P·S

Cholesterol counting for kids? Yes...and here's what the National Cholesterol Education Program has to say: For children age 2 and over, a total cholesterol reading of 200mg/dL or more is considered to be high. If you have concerns about your child's cholesterol level, discuss them with your physician.



To prevent sports-related injuries to your children's growing muscles, ligaments, and tendons, introduce them to the idea of warming up and stretching. This is especially important for children involved in dance or gymnastics.



A little assistance from the Looking-for-Child-Care Department: This source can help you select an appropriate child care setting:

The National Association of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies
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They can give you sources to call in your own geographical area to help you in your search.

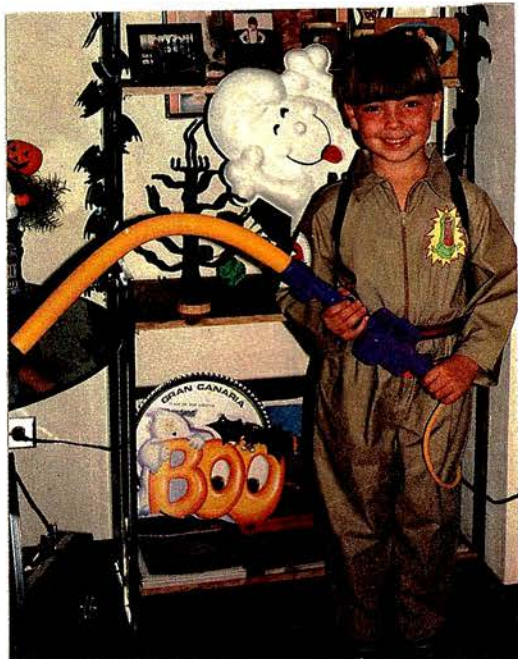
Well, friends, the cold of winter will soon be upon us, so I'm gonna stop *writing* about being healthy and start *doing* something. Think I'll take a long walk around a short block!

See ya next time,

Egon Spengler
Your Healthy Helper

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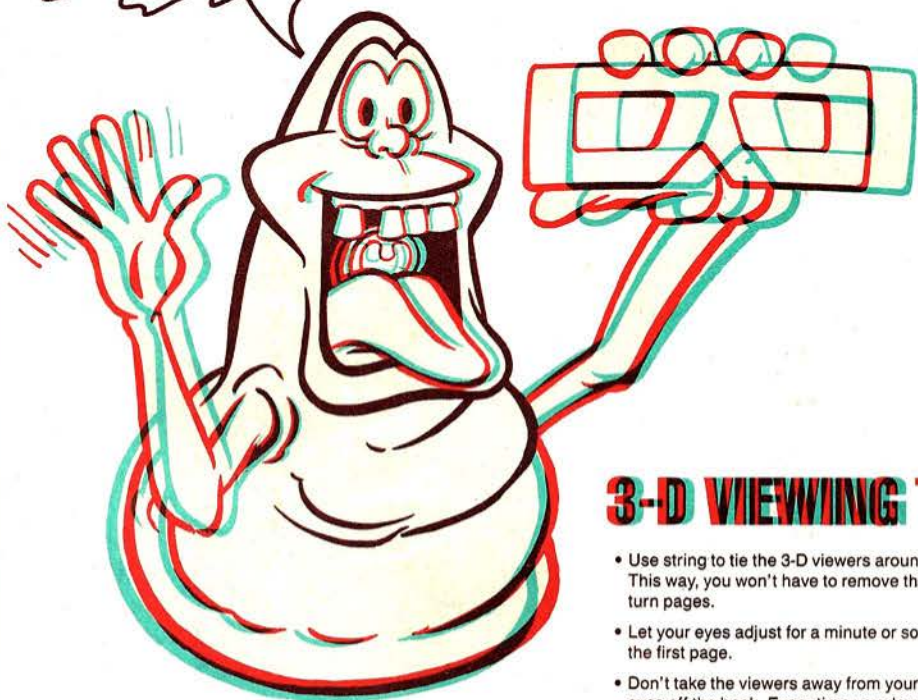
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HEY, KIDS!
GET OUT YOUR
3-D VIEWERS
BECAUSE IT'S
TIME FOR OUR
SPOOKTACULAR
3-D ADVENTURE!!



3-D VIEWING TIPS

- Use string to tie the 3-D viewers around your head. This way, you won't have to remove them when you turn pages.
- Let your eyes adjust for a minute or so as you view the first page.
- Don't take the viewers away from your eyes or your eyes off the book. Every time you do, you must let your eyes readjust.



PANDORA'S BOX

MY DAD ALWAYS SAID "DON'T COME BACK EMPTY HANDED..." BUT THIS TIME WE SHOULD HAVE PASSED.

BARRY PETERSEN STORY	NEIL GRAHAME PENCILS
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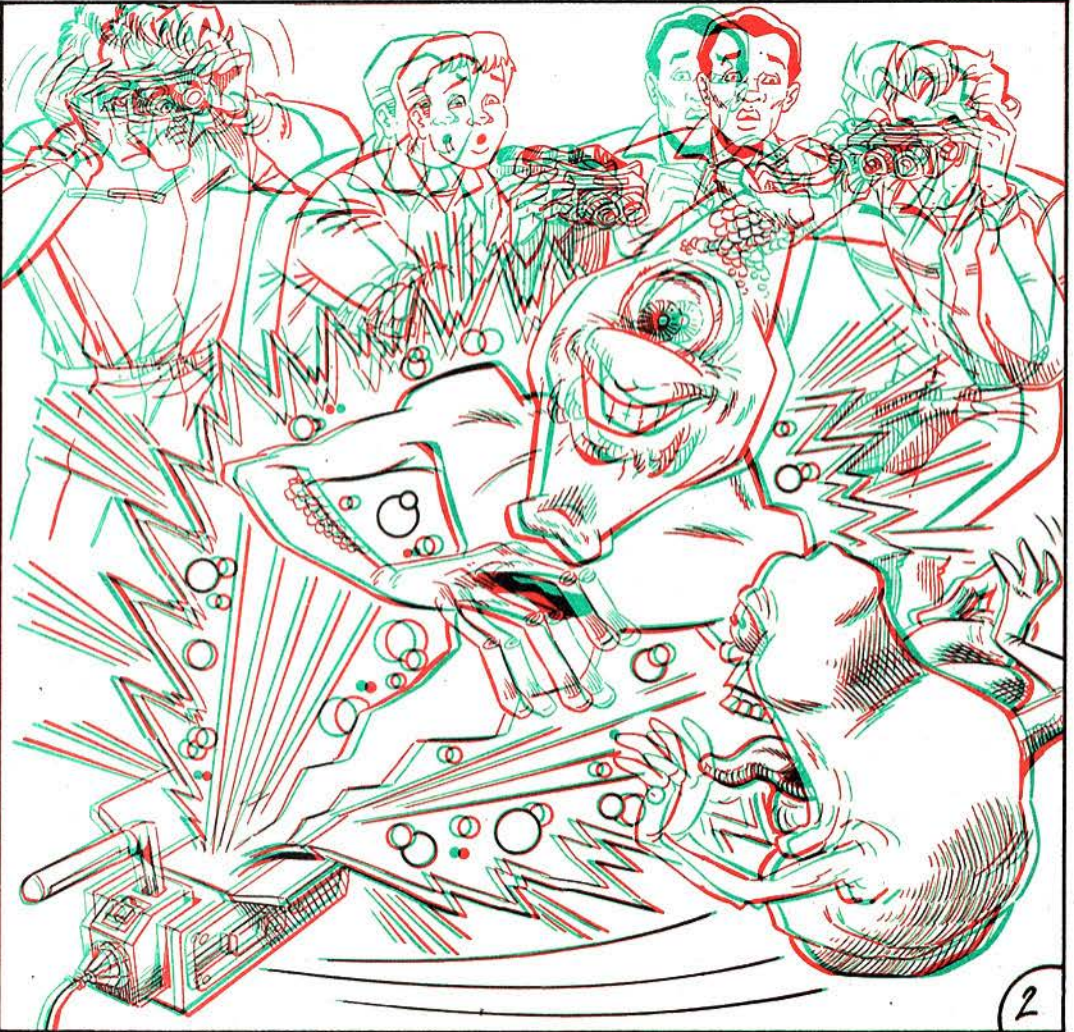
THIS INTERDIMENSIONAL PORTAL OF YOUR MENTOR'S ISN'T ALL THAT DANGEROUS-- IS IT, EGON?



EVERYTHING DOES HAVE IT'S RISK FACTOR, WINSTON. ESPECIALLY IF IT INVOLVED PROFESSOR EPIMETHEUS.

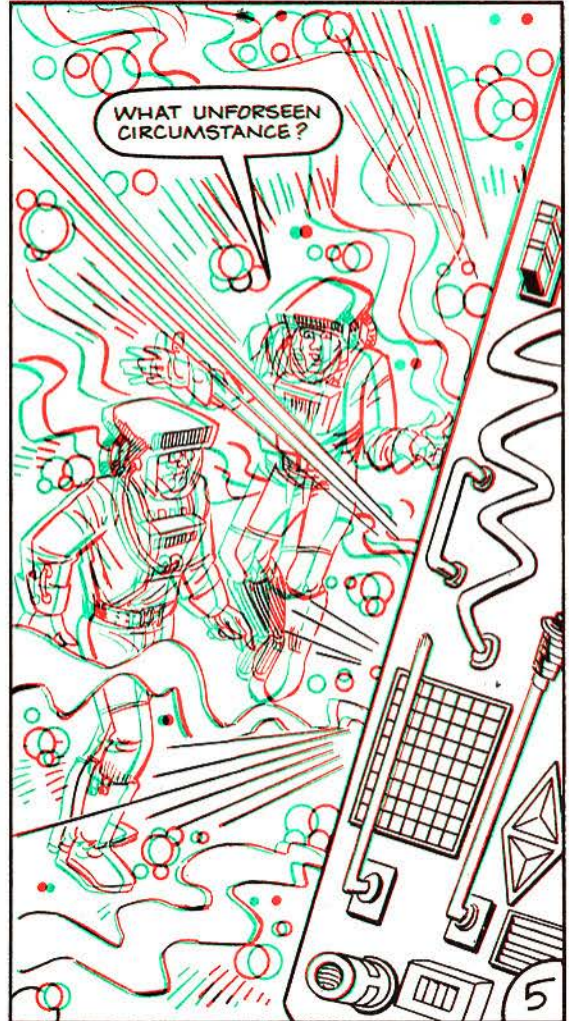


ON A SCALE FROM ONE TO TEN, HOW DANGEROUS IS IT? A THREE... A FOUR?



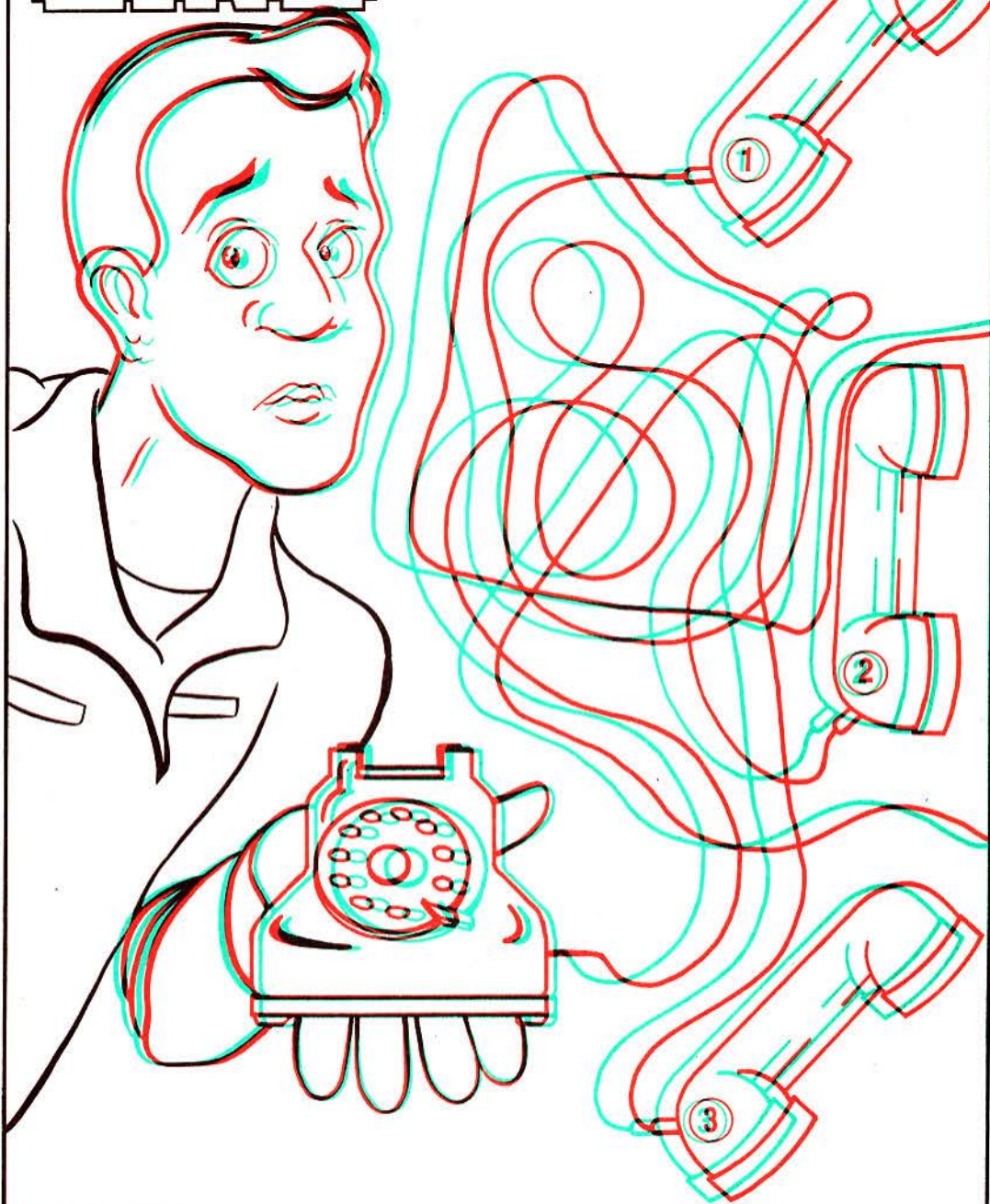






Follow the LINE

Winston offered to watch the phones while Janine went to lunch. Follow the lines to find out which receiver goes with the phone.



Larry Daniel Petersea

3-D CONVERSION BY PATRICK WILLIAMS

**THE REAL
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3-D PIN-UP PAGE

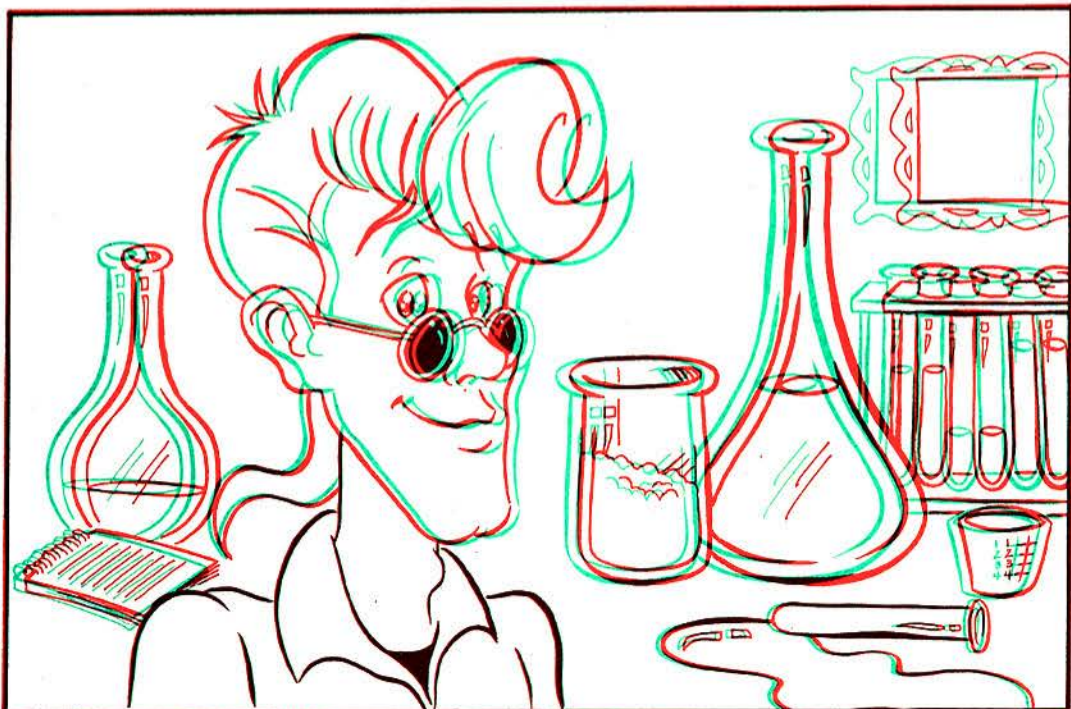


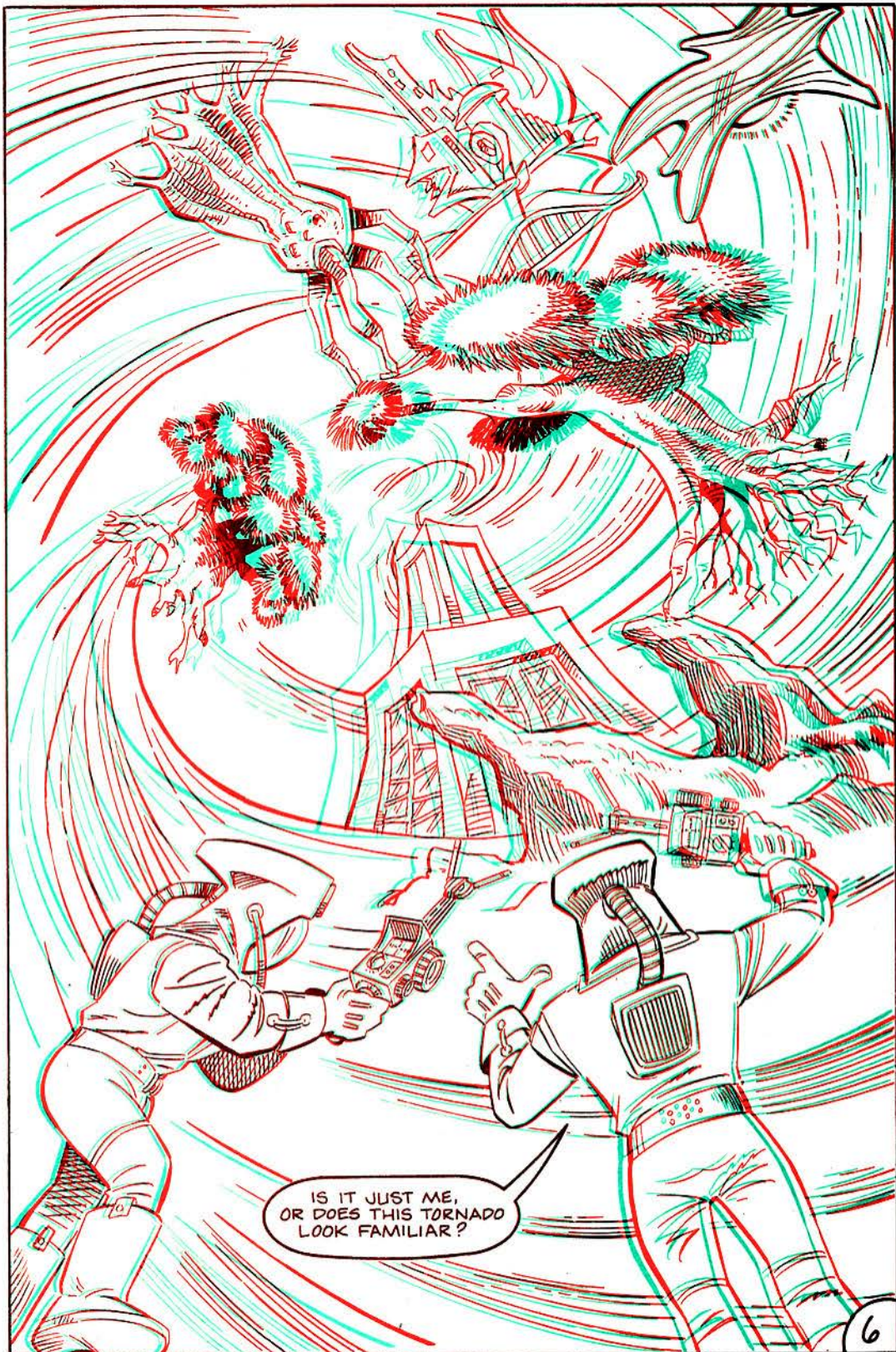




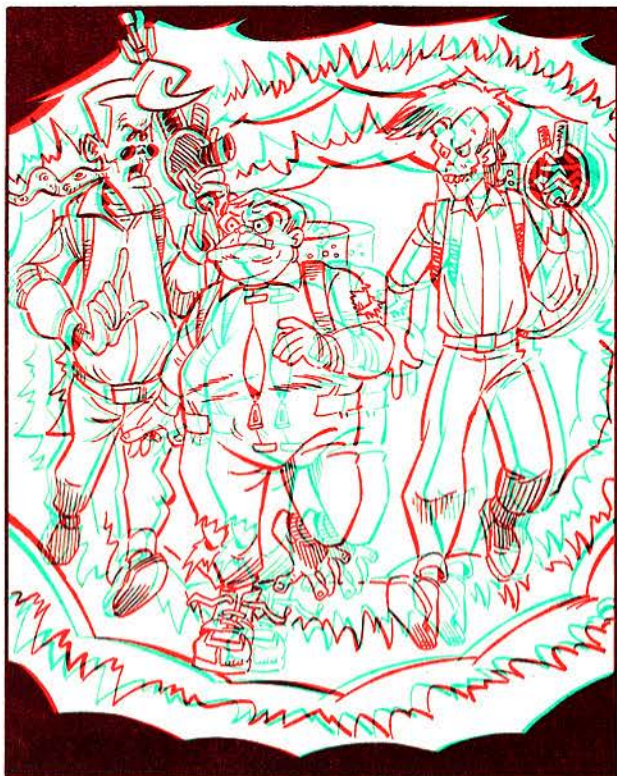
What's the
difference??

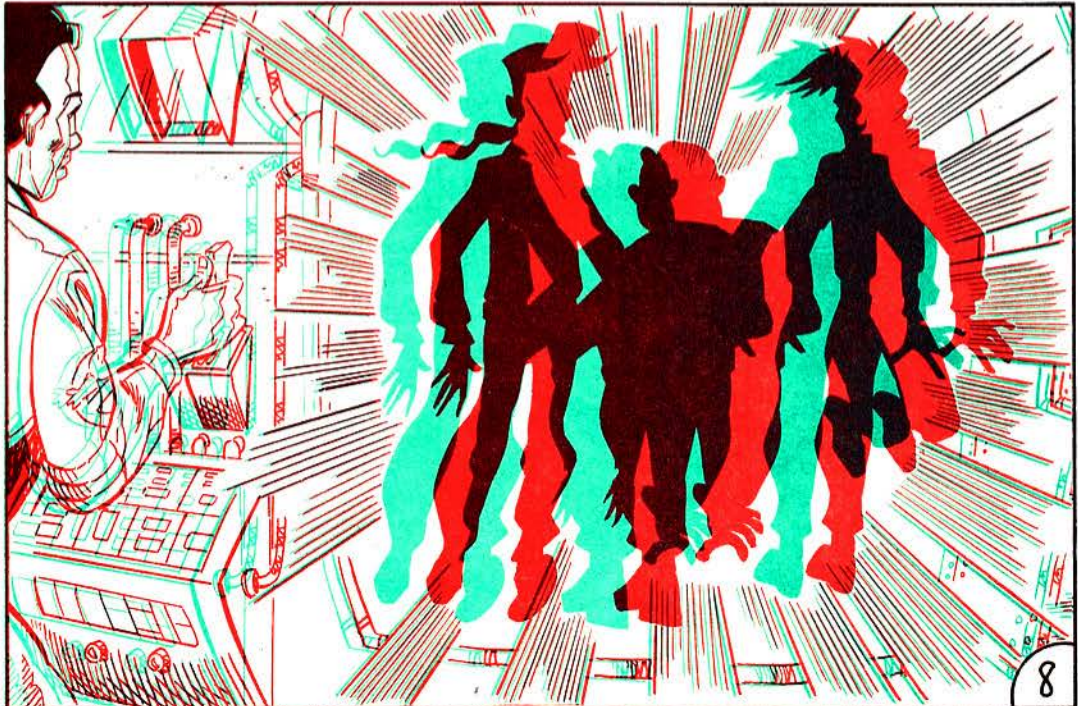
Can you find at least
six things different
in these two pictures??

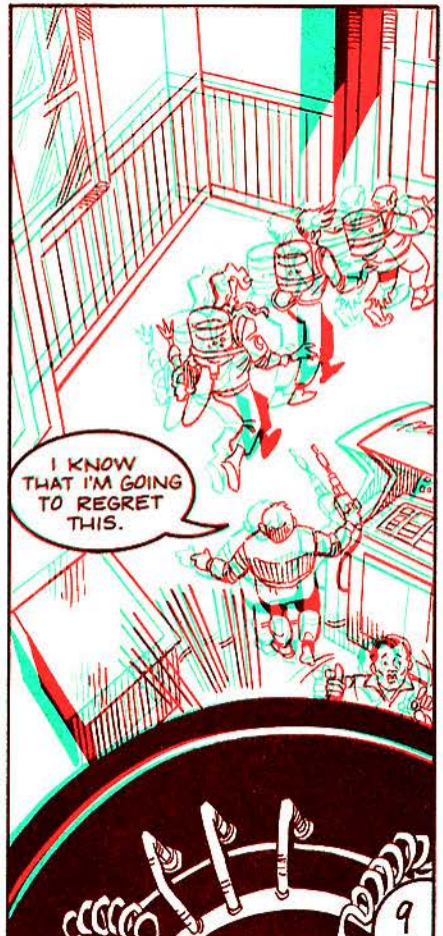
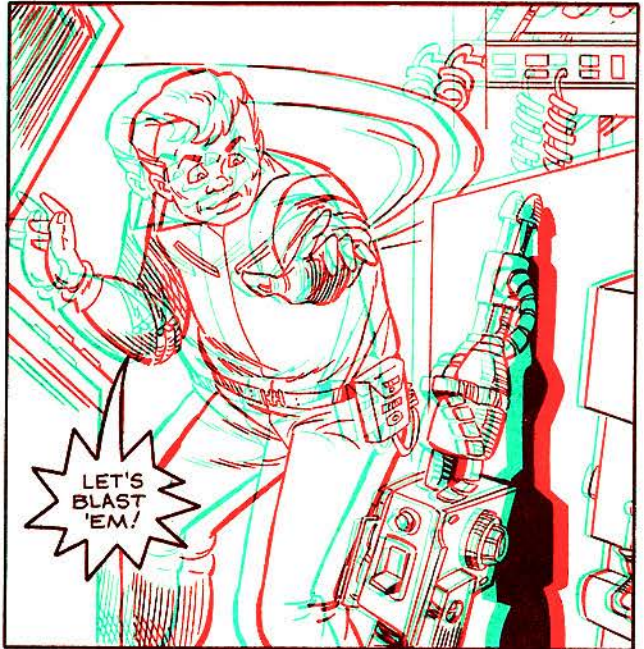


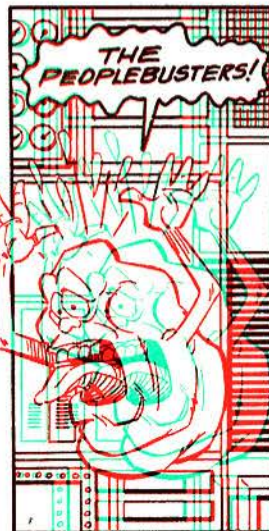


IS IT JUST ME,
OR DOES THIS TORNADO
LOOK FAMILIAR?











IT WAS AN HONEST MISTAKE, PETER.

THE CHICAGO FIRE WAS AN HONEST MISTAKE, BUT THIS?! I'M GOING BACK INSIDE THE PORTAL WHERE IT'S SAFE.

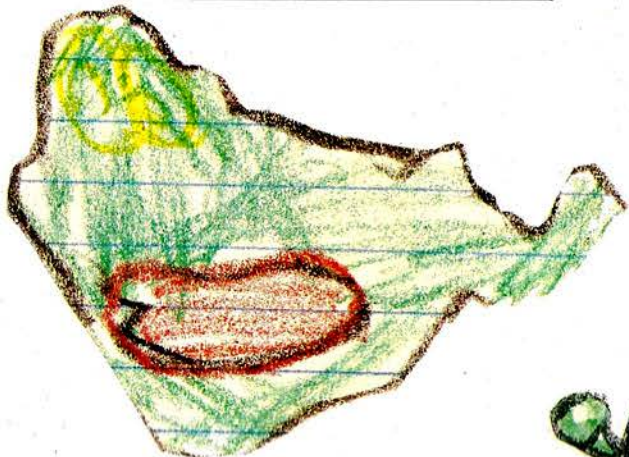
WE'LL MEET AGAIN, AND THAT'S A PROMISE, NOT A THREAT.

BESIDES, THERE'S NO USE CRYING OVER SPILT ECTOPLASM.

WINNERS OF THE DRAW SLIMER! CONTEST



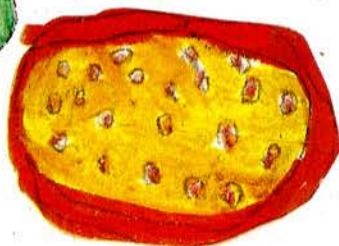
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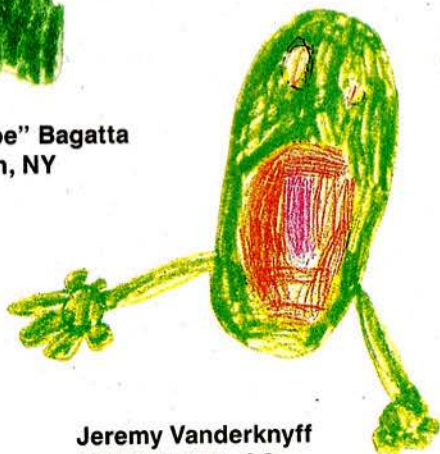
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**TRICK
or
TREAT
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PART TWO**

YES, YES...
HOW DELICIOUS.
ALL THE FEAR, ALL
THE HORROR!

THE TIME
IS ALMOST AT
HAND. THE UNIVERSE
AND I SHALL
BECOME ONE!

EGON!!

WHAT DO
WE DO? WE'RE
OUTNUMBERED
ABOUT A ZILLION
TO ONE HERE.

I'M AFRAID
THERE IS TOO MUCH
GROUND TO COVER
FOR US TO EFFECTIVELY
FIGHT THIS MENACE
IN HAND-TO-HAND
COMBAT.

HOWEVER,
I HAVE DETER-
MINED THAT THE
ENERGY EXPENDED
IN THE CITY IS
BEING FUNNELED
TO A SPECIFIC
LOCATION.





THE GHOSTBUSTERS?!

OKAY, MR. PUMPKIN-HEAD, IF YOU'VE GOT ANY SEEDS RATTLING AROUND IN THAT SHELL OF YOURS, YOU KNOW YOUR NUMBER IS UP!

IT WOULD BE IN YOUR BEST INTEREST TO SURRENDER.

FAH! THIS WOULD BE HUMOROUS WERE IT NOT SO PATHETIC. PUNY HUMANS, DON'T YOU KNOW THAT I AM CONSTANTLY BEING SUPPLIED WITH NEW ENERGY EVEN AS WE SPEAK.



EXACTLY!



WASTED EFFORT, GHOSTBUSTERS! I CAN STILL FEEL THE ENERGY FLOWING INTO ME.

YOU ARE AS GOOD AS DEAD!



OH, THE POWER. IT IS INTOXICATING! SHALL I USE IT TO DESTROY YOU FOUR SLOWLY, OR SHALL I DISPATCH YOU IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE?



WHAT TRICKERY IS THIS? BLAST YOU, HUMAN, WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!

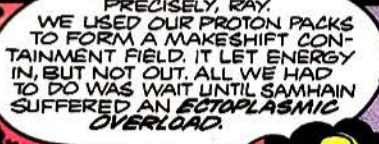


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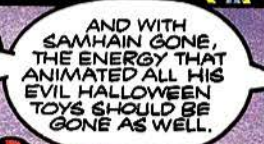
THIS CAN'T BE HAPPENING! STOP, I TELL YOU! STO--



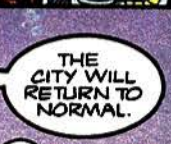
EON, DID WE CATCH SAMHAIN IN SOME SORT OF ENERGY TRAP?



PRECISELY, RAY. WE USED OUR PROTON PACKS TO FORM A MAKESHIFT CONTAINMENT FIELD. IT LET ENERGY IN, BUT NOT OUT. ALL WE HAD TO DO WAS WAIT UNTIL SAMHAIN SUFFERED AN ECTOPLASMIC OVERLOAD.



AND WITH SAMHAIN GONE, THE ENERGY THAT ANIMATED ALL HIS EVIL HALLOWEEN TOYS SHOULD BE GONE AS WELL.

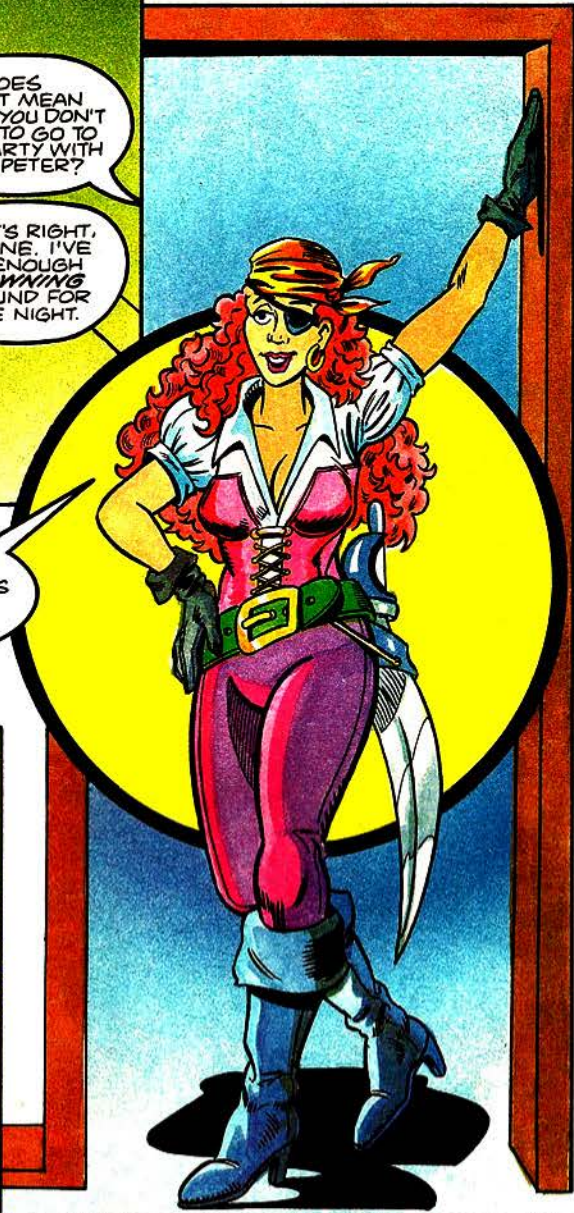


THE CITY WILL RETURN TO NORMAL.





THAT'S TOO BAD. I GUESS I'LL HAVE TO GO ALONE.



PKE

Readings

I greet you, Ghostbusters. I must take this opportunity to thank you for all of the letters, drawings, and photos! How did you like the second 3-D REAL GHOSTBUSTERS story of all time? Write in and let me know!

Joan Weis, Editor

PKE READINGS
c/o NOW Comics
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Dear NOW:

My name is Dr. Egan Spengler. I am a parapsychologist and renowned ghost hunter. I am 22 years old and the only female ghost hunter in the state of California.

I want it to be known that *no-body* can challenge me on both Ghostbuster movies and especially on THE REAL GHOSTBUSTERS and SLIMER! I have the world's largest collection of Ghostbuster memorabilia. I have tattoos of Ghostbusters. I have Slimer, Egon, Peter, Ray, Winston, and myself.

Egon is my favorite one. You might say he's my husband the way I love him so! THE REAL GHOSTBUSTERS and SLIMER are my whole world, and my life is devoted to them entirely! Everyone calls me "Egon" because I look exactly like him. I wear Ghostbusters clothes, sleep with Ghostbusters sheets and comforters, and many more. I am the number one fan. I am a Ghostbuster for real and always!

Love,
Dr. Egan Spengler
La Habra, CA

Dear Egan:

You certainly are enthusiastic about your love for Egon and the rest of the Ghostbusters. However, since this is a Code-approved book, I won't ask you about your tattoos!



Dear NOW:

Hi! I've been a REAL GHOSTBUSTERS fan since the start. I've seen both Ghostbuster movies as well as all the cartoons. I even collect REAL GHOSTBUSTERS stuff. I have also collected the comic.

I have enjoyed the "Tobin" story, and I liked the 3-D comic as well. I'm glad the artwork on the guys is just like on the TV show, especially Egon, since he is my favorite Ghostbuster.

I like the way you have put Egon's Health and Safety Guide in your comic. It's very helpful.

I hope that you do not change Janine's looks. I like her just the way she is. Please print my address so people can write me if they want.

A Ghostbusters fan,
Regina Adams
8637 12 Mile Rd.
Marshall, MI 49068

Dear Regina:

I hope you get a Ghostbusting letter soon. Worry not; we aren't going to change a single thing about Janine, or any of the guys for that matter.

I'm happy to hear that you like Egon's Health and Safety Guide.

Lately, I've been getting more letters from people who express the same view. Thanks for all of the comments.

Dear NOW Comics:

So we finally get to meet Tobin, the creator of the Spirit Guide. I never expected him to be from the future, but these days, I've learned to expect the unexpected whether I like it or not.

In any case, I look forward to #4 to find out what happens.

Keep up the good work at NOW Comics, and I hope this will be a good year for you all.

Cordially,
Steven Acevedo
Bronx, NY

Dear Steven:

Actually, Tobin is from the past (which explains why he aged so fast when he left the time vacuum). As far as I can tell, he is the second chronicler of the Spirit Guide. Tobin's predecessor began at the beginning of time. For reasons that I'm not aware of, this man needed to be replaced by Tobin a couple thousand years ago. Tobin has been the chronicler since then. He needed to be in a time vacuum to prevent him from aging. Thanks for the comments.

SHOW STOPPERS

With the convention season technically finished, I thought you'd be interested in seeing some of the highlights from NOW's appearances. We've had some special artists and other celebrities visit our booth. Here are just a few of them.



Jeff Butler signing posters at the Capital City Conference (May).



Comic shop owner Gary Colabuono clowning around with Mr. T in San Diego (August).



Green Hornet writer Ron Fortier and inker David Mowry signing autographs at the Diamond Seminar (June).



The Green Hornet (Scott Heathcote) and Kato (Michelle Latimer) at the San Diego Con (August).



TV's Green Hornet, Van Williams, signing photos at the San Diego Comic Expo (August).

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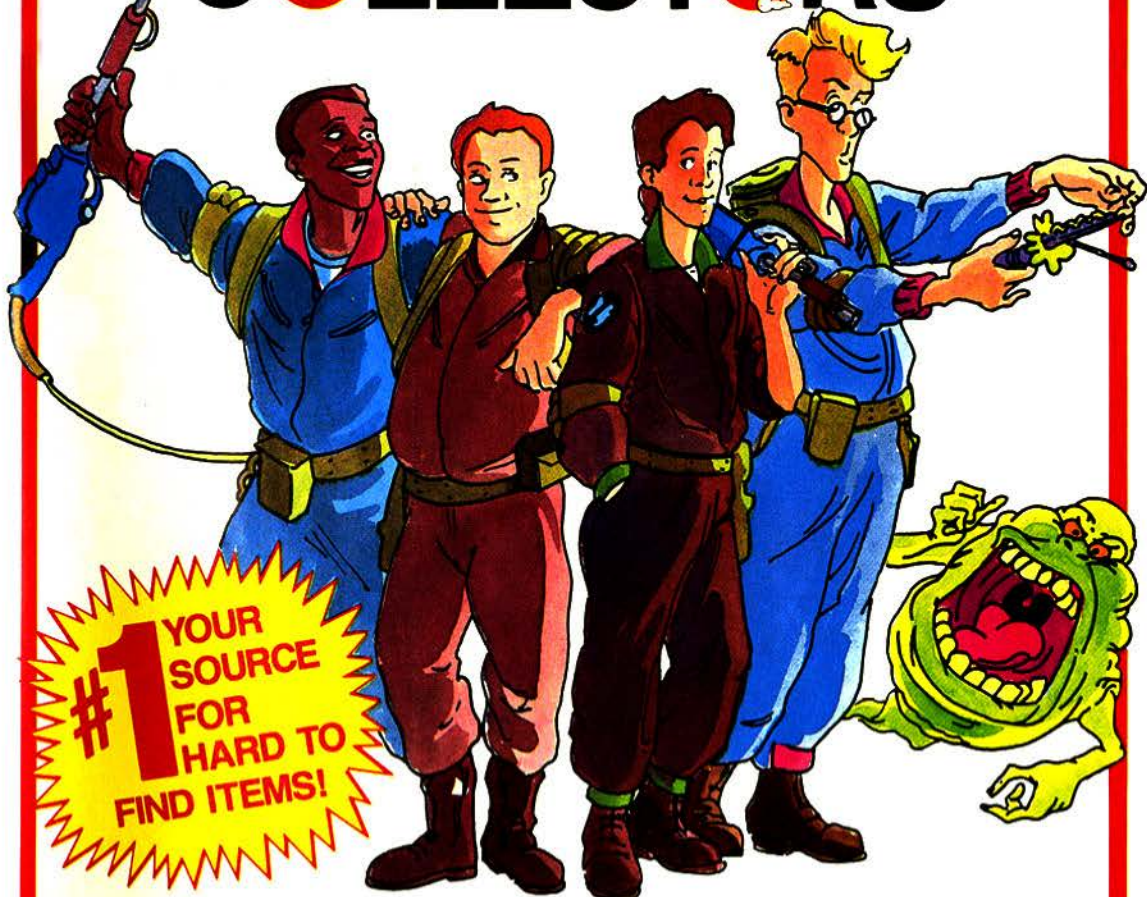
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