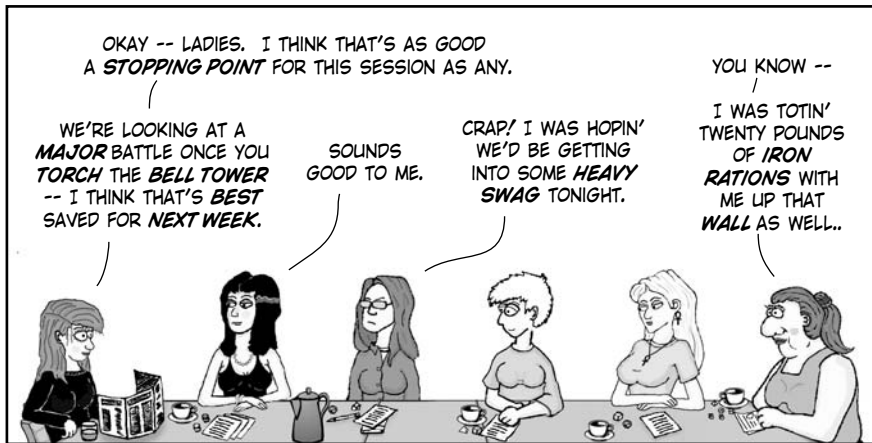
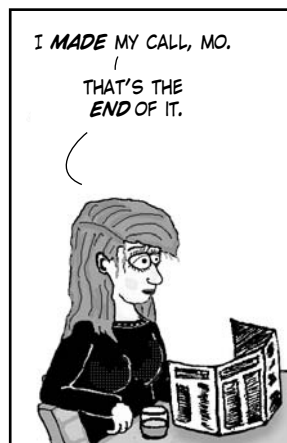
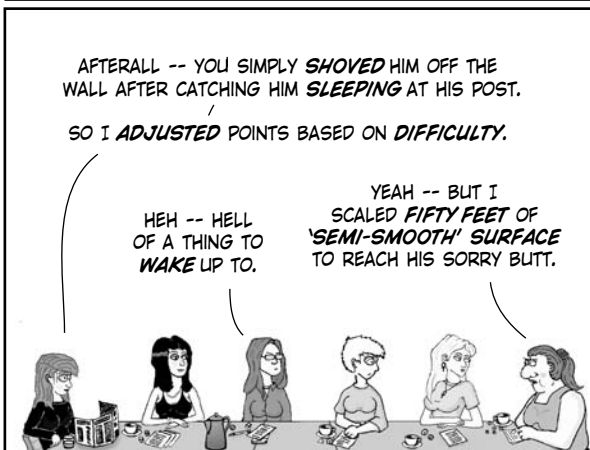
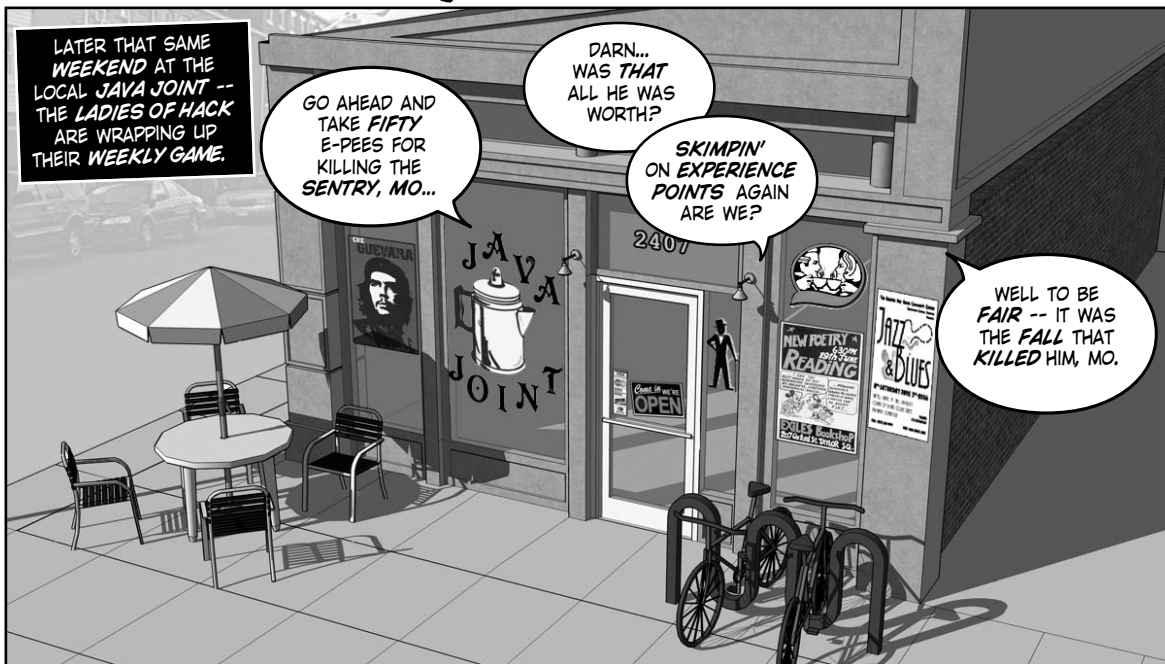


Hold that Thought

BY JOLLY R. BLACKBURN



WHO'S WHO IN THE LADIES OF HACK (LOH)

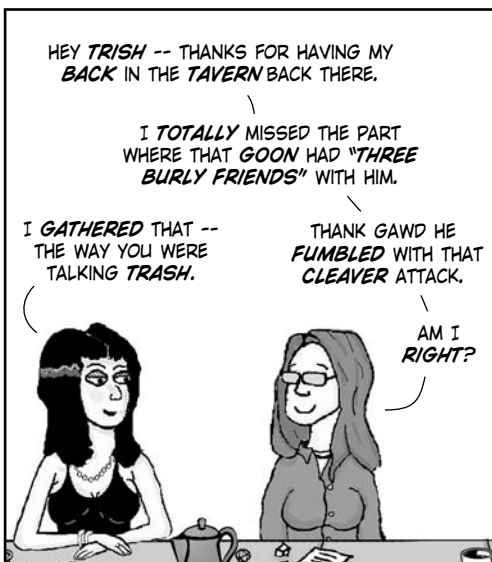
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| 1. Patty Gauzwieler | 4. Sara Felton |
| 2. Patricia "Trish" Newmar | 5. Bridget Keating |
| 3. Shiela Horowitz | 6. Mona "Mo" Wert |





OH -- AND DON'T TAKE OFF *JUST* YET..

I'LL *TALLY* UP THE *REST* OF EVERYONE'S *E-PEES* BEFORE YOU GO.



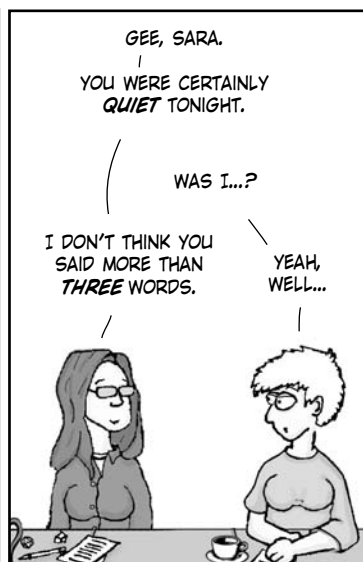
HEY *TRISH* -- THANKS FOR HAVING MY *BACK* IN THE *TAVERN* BACK THERE.

I *TOTALLY* MISSED THE PART WHERE THAT *GOON* HAD "*THREE BURLY FRIENDS*" WITH HIM.

I *GATHERED* THAT -- THE WAY YOU WERE TALKING *TRASH*.

THANK *GAWD* HE *FUMBL*ED WITH THAT *CLEVER* ATTACK.

AM I *RIGHT*?



GEE, *SARA*.

YOU WERE CERTAINLY *QUIET* TONIGHT.

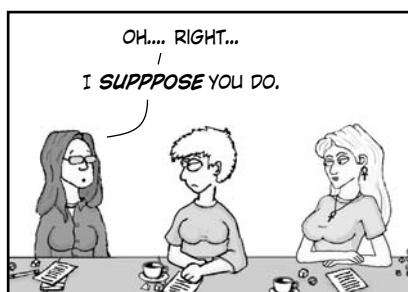
WAS I...?

I DON'T THINK YOU SAID MORE THAN *THREE* WORDS.

YEAH, WELL...

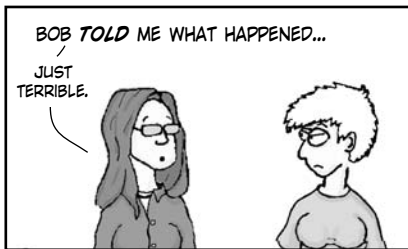


GUESS I HAVE A *LOT* ON MY MIND.



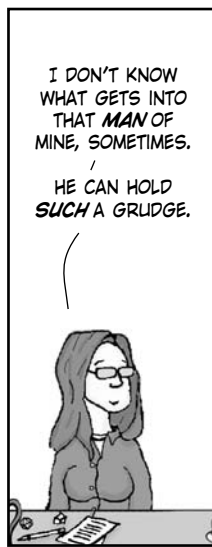
OH... *RIGHT*...

I *SUPPOSE* YOU DO.



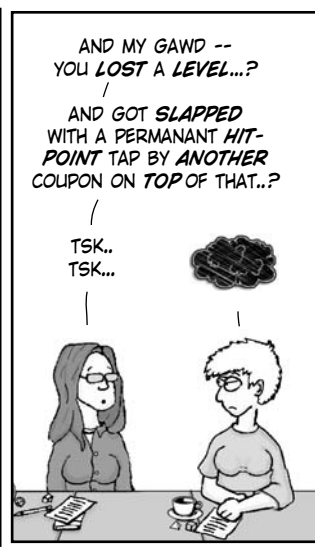
BOB TOLD ME WHAT HAPPENED...

JUST *TERRIBLE*.



I DON'T KNOW WHAT GETS INTO THAT *MAN* OF MINE, SOMETIMES.

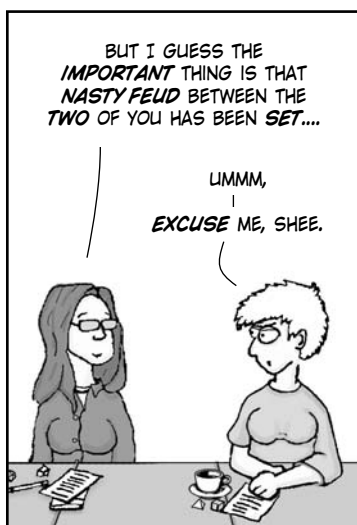
HE CAN HOLD *SUCH* A *GRUDGE*.



AND MY *GAWD* -- YOU *LOST* A *LEVEL*...?

AND GOT *SLAPPED* WITH A *PERMANANT* *HIT-POINT* TAP BY *ANOTHER* *COUPON* ON *TOP* OF THAT...?

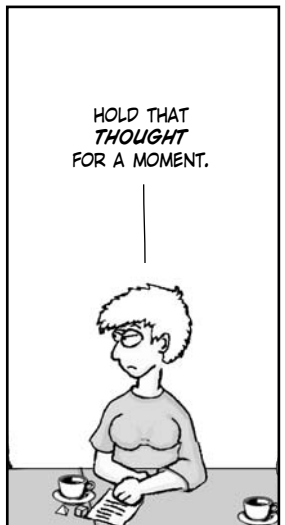
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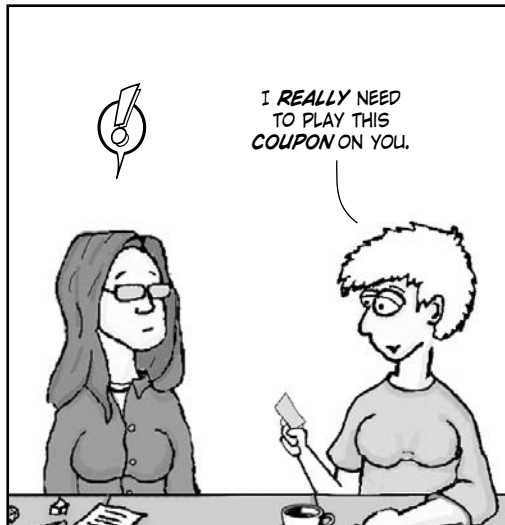
BUT I GUESS THE *IMPORTANT* THING IS THAT *NASTY* *FEUD* BETWEEN THE *TWO* OF YOU HAS BEEN *SET*...

LIMMM,

EXCUSE ME, *SHEE*.



HOLD THAT *THOUGHT* FOR A MOMENT.



I *REALLY* NEED TO *PLAY* THIS *COUPON* ON YOU.

"OKAY, AFTER *LAST WEEK'S* NONSENSE I CERTAINLY *HOPE* EVERYONE CAME ARMED WITH THE *PROPER* *ATTITUDE* AND *MINDSET*. IT'S CALLED '*HACKMASTER*' FOLKS. NOT '*UNCLE NITRO'S* *BABYSITTING* *SERVICE*.'"

—Nitro Ferguson, *KODT* Issue #78, *No Take Backs*