## SPRING-BREAK NEWS

Meet Your Hotel Managers Springs **Erich Langmann** Where

Travelodge, Palm Springs, Calif.

**Preparations for students arrival** Send out a "Welcome to the Travelodge" letter with the good news and the bad news

**Most mysterious** spring-break incident

A smell we couldn't trace for a week until we tore the room apart

Which was ...

A pizza between the box spring and mattress

**Most memorable standoff** TV news crew that wouldn't leave premises

Your response

Said, "How about a news story about you being arrested for trespassing?"

**Most dangerous student stunt** Jumping off roof into pool

**Fine or punishment** 

Eviction or picking up trash around my three acres. Their choice

Most memorable student activity They planned a wet T-shirt contest; 12 agitated police showed up

What happened

It went off beautifully

Lesson

Announce a wet T-shirt contest if you need the police

HOW TO FAKE ARESUME

**Entry-level lessons** for the real world By Dan Zevin

**Middlesex County Junior** NCE YOU GRADUATE into the **Vocational Tech** real working world, you can be **Community College** anyone you want to be. All you **Correspondence School** need is a fraudulent résumé. On a single page, you must show prospective **High-School equivalency** employers that you are a skilled, well-**Academic probation** rounded, highly experienced profes-

sional. One idea is to send someone else's résumé. But you won't be fooling anyone. Employers know very well that you are just another bachelor of arts

Usher One night in October Quit without giving notice

John Eric

Schwartz

**42nd Street** 

Dressed up in Chicken McNugget costume and passed out free samples while clucking

> Still goes around saying, "Hasta la vista, Baby."

States? That's exactly the sort of job that shows you're a good manager. Do not worry that anyone will check your references - it's nearly impossible to get through to

the White House.

2. EXAGGERATE your imclaim to have held. Using a thesaurus (computerized euphemism finder on many word-processindispensable role in each organization. For example, which of the following job titles describes "résumé numbers." the role you played the

Be specific with your job descriptions. ing systems), invent job | Don't just tell employers you "impletitles that reflect your | mented," tell them exactly how much you implemented. Don't tell them you "executed," tell them how many people you executed. To be specific, insert plenty of

day you filed invoices at | EXAMPLES OF RÉSUMÉ NUMBERS: Milyour mother's office: (a) | lions; billions; trillions and trillions; Filer, or (b) Principal | quadrillions; many; many-many; many-

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CAREER OBJECTIVE: An entry-level position allowing me to utilize my skills of making an obscene amount of money for my prospective employer.

EDUCATION

Harvard University: BA, PhD, MA, MC, MD, MFA, BFA, DDS, RN. Graduate spring 1994. Double Major: Brain Surgery/Acting as Liaison. Phi Beta Kappa. GPA: 5.0.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Seating Czar, Loews Coliseum of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences Fall 1992

Culled and collated quadrillions of ticket vouchers, manually severed into equivalent halves and redistributed to members of cultural elite. Led and directed tardy clients into screening facility with use of battery-operated illumination implement; acted as liaison between adhesive flooring and mop. Coined phraseology "Thank you for coming to Loews, sit back and relax, enjoy the show."

Prime Minister of Public Relations, M. C. Donalds & Co. Ltd. Winter 1991

Represented global nutritional conglomeration with annual product distribution of billions and billions. Implemented off-site poultry sampling focus groups; acted as wardrobed liaison between deep-fried nuggets of fowl and five dipping sauces. Extensive public speaking.

ACTIVITIES

Captain, Pro-Am Golf Team; Linebacker, Miami Dolphins; Olympic water-ballet team; baking team; varsity sumo-wrestling team. Initiated/coordinated/implemented Earth Day 1990; heroically dove into raging Atlantic Ocean to rescue 15 drowning children during Hurricane Andrew, Miami, 1992; puppetry.

SKILLS

Fluent Español, et al.; familiar with Microsoft Word, Wordperfect, Excel; knowledge of DOS, Solomon, Adobe, Claris Works, Xywrite, Quark, Fortran, File Maker, Lotus 123, Lotus 456.

ADDITIONAL SKILLS: Too numerous to mention.

**Familiar with Pong** 

were elected presi- Alphabetizing Coordination Systems | many-many; scores; scads; reams; truckdent of the United Technician Specialist? If you thought loads; too numerous to mention. choice (a) was more accurate, you were right! Therefore, proceed to use choice (b) on your résumé.

After your job title, include a brief, yet highly exaggerated, description of the specific duties you performed in each position. This is done by using "résumé words."

EXAMPLES OF RÉSUMÉ WORDS: Implemented; coordinated; provided support for; portance in every job you managed; assisted; led; administered; initiated; participated; gathered; directed; prepared; conducted; applied; presented; evaluated; assessed; supervised; organized; available with Spellcheck | executed; performed; integrated.

Once caddied at uncle's golf club

3. ACT AS A LIAISON in each and every job you dream up. Do not be distressed if you don't know what a liaison actually is. Here is the definition according to the dictionary. Liaison: an illicit sexual relationship; an affair. When you emphasize your vast professional experience in this area, your chance of being called in for an interview is nothing less than guaranteed.

As you set forth to fabricate, exaggerate and act as a liaison in the real working world, be sure not to overlook the other key elements of your entrylevel résumé, such as your name. To compete in today's post-NAFTA global economy, you'll want to use the name given to you by your freshman Spanish teacher. For further tips, please consult the neatly illustrated guide above.

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who has spent the last twentysomething

years in or around school. What they

want to know now is whether you've

learned anything that will be useful in

1. FABRICATE

2. EXAGGERATE

3. LIAISON

1. FABRICATE the kinds of jobs that

make your résumé stand out over all

the others. What about that time you

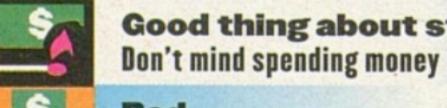
the real world.

Meet Your Hotel Managers South Padre Island



Who **Connie Ledbetter** 

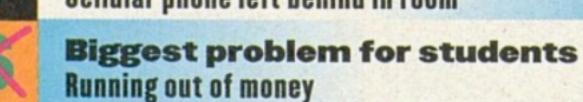
Where Sheraton Fiesta, South Padre Island, Texas **Good thing about students** 



Bad Have to pay for 200 security guards



**Oddest form of payment** Cellular phone left behind in room



Most people in room Heard reports of 10



**Preparations for spring break** Take out lobby furniture, take pictures off wall, don't allow families and corporate customers in



Advice Party smart

**Problem with these questions** We like to look at spring break in a positive way

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