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NIGHT OF A THOUSAND DEATHS

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Employees of the lately beleaguered Caligula Corporation were killed in their droves on 7th November 2037 in a wave of events ranging from arson to assassination to what CDC staff are refusing to confirm as an outbreak of an 'unidentified' but lethal disease but which they are confirming is not the bio-plague.

There are reports that the Fight for Purity are again responsible for the incidents

The Caligula Board is survived by two of it's directors:

Mamma Klasse, PR director and executive partner of the new-formed Zentience Corporation and Clifford Chance, the legal director of Archimedes Industries and former Legate of the NRT New Rome Mission.

Story: Buon Journo

Editor's Note: The FFP still have a compulsory termination order (EX - 63/ 002) with a 1K price on each body brought back to Talon Central for processing. If you get the leader, you get 10K!



NRCFD wardens fight fires at a Industrial Zone warehouse where 15 Caligula employees died.

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FIANCHI SPAS 12 - 'Applejack Edition'

Gang violence escalates.

A new frenzy of killing has erupted onto the streets of New Rome.

In the last month, the gang killings in almost every segment of NRC has increased by nearly 200%.

Reports are varied, but the word on the street is that a full scale gang-war is in the offing. The Necrotix, who for some time now have been quietly but steadily increasing in numbers is reputed to be behind much of the fighting, however lesser factions within the Angels and the 'breed appear to be also taking a chance to consolidate operations.

As a whole, gangs appear to be breaking into smaller factions, all intent on seizing power within the loose structure. Indications are that the delicate balance maintained by the overall strength of Nightbreed is failing, and the other gangs are leaping upon the opportunity to gain territory and power.

Think carefully about what colours you wear...

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Chance and Chancery

Archimedes Industries legal director Clifford Chance threatened to sue the NRT following a statement from the NRT Aberdeen headquarters disowning him and revealing investigations for financial irregularities.

This occurred just before a memorial service for Caligula staff killed by the FFP yesterday from which Mr. Chance pulled out last minute and after Chance claimed that if legal recourse failed against irregular activities against the Turing corporation the NRT would conduct extra-legal activities against them at his behest.

Assassinata star to slay them in the Isles?

Lucia Mastantino, star of INET show Assassinata is hot favourite to play Lady Macbeth in the latest SimStim of the Scottish play directed by auteur and INET bad boy Georgio di Draco. Sofia is the other favourite to play the classical role.

Rumours the Northern Reform Temple will be one of the sponsors of this performance have not yet been confirmed or denied at this time.

Story: *Guillermo Scossagermolgio*



Mastantina:
Contract?

Turing Shroud

Agents of the Turing Commission were assaulted during a routine arrest in the Nightmare Asylum nightclub recently, a Turing Commission representative reported last week.

The representative declined to comment on the nature of the arrest, she gave no information regarding the success of the operation nor the number or names of the agents who took part.

Can I get another column, please?

Story: *Chav and Dave*

Judge, fugitive & executioner

Northern Reform Temple Judge Denton Mandell was declared NWA (not wanted alive) to the tune of 7,000 credits for the murder of a CocaCola-Disney employee at Pandemonium last month. NRT Judge Lance Tyrell had no comment when asked how the hunt for Mandell was proceeding.

Story: *Licentious*



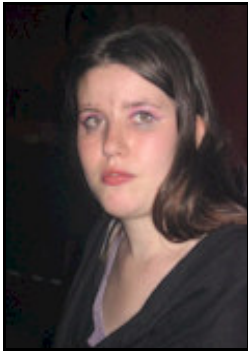
Mandell: Fugitive

Meat4Tyres

CHANNEL 181 - LIVE SPORTS TUESDAY 22.00

Is this a Vision I see before me?

Serena Blake, INET celebrity vampire icon and Sons of Light messiah has announced the launch of a new production company interested in all things gothic, mysterious, dark and macabre.



Serena:
Midnight Visionary?

Midnight Visions will launch with a gala party to celebrate the beginning of this venture and all proceeds are split between the bio-plague relief fund and the Joseph Ziegler Phoenix Foundation (for victims of the recent FfP attack on Caligula Corporation). The night promises music, song, drama and dance.

DJs Johnny Ekko and Sm0ke will be laying down music at what promises to be the best place to find a hot goth babe or three. Proper selecta!

Story: *Lord Darkwykka*

The weather outside is frightful

Charlie Kildare, NRC's premiere wise-cracking weatherman met his end during a live broadcast on the top of the Channel 7 tower last week.

Dressed as always in his trademark neon blue suit, Charlie was busy wowing audiences with local information, weather warnings and traffic updates when a Carabinieri gunship, in hot pursuit of a FIRM helicopter, lost control and crashed into the tower.

The resultant fireball killed Charlie and his camera crew.

The five Carabinieri inside the gunship were all unharmed, saved by their top of the line Armadillo™ crash protection system recently bought from MilTech. The NRCPD are reputedly pleased with the performance of their new hardware but declined to comment regarding Mr. Kildare.

Story: *Golden Boy*

Hot mutant gunfight action in New Paris

A suspected mutant held back NRCPD officers in a manic gunfight for a good 20 minutes last night, in a building off Place De Concorde by seemingly pre-empting police tactics. Observers speculated this may be due to police training.

He was finally detained when two men (not NRCPD officers) entered the building. The two men brought him out alive and cuffed within a few minutes. After showing the officer-in-charge a document, they promptly left with the individual. Neither gave a statement but the officer-in-charge, a Detective Coyle, did.

"The two men presented correct documentation which gave them jurisdiction over the incident because it concerned 'a possible mutant threat' he added. When asked who they were he replied "They represented Project Axelleron."

- Dark - Gothic - Macabre - Mysterium -

Midnight Visions

- Art
- Dance
- Music
- Song

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Blood in the Boardroom!

The number is up for Caligula Corporation it seems following a terrifying ordeal of blood and fire that wiped out it's central NRC headquarters.

Caligula, responsible for many 'life style' modifications and Simstim research has been hounded for almost a year now by the terrorist group known as the Fight for Purity. This group of psychotic puritan f*cks state that they believe that humanity is on a downward spiral, only by leading a pure and sin-free life can save us.

Of course, the Neon Fringe believes this is all crap.

Bring on the drugs, sex and, er, more sex!

This aggression culminated in a well-organised night of terror. All but one board member was killed in one night. The main offices were attacked with several waves of suicidal terrorists - killing many workers pulling a few hours overtime to feed their kids.

There are several rumours pointing to a plague outbreak in another Calligula facility. The CDC deny the outbreak. The corporations' share prices have hit free-fall as several key surviving shareholders fear that could next be on the terrorist hit list.

The question is: What will happen to their wonderful toys?

I will never look at my Mr. Studd the same way again.

Story: Underworld Marvin

Echo and the Funnymen

The EchoDrome, CyberDyne's massive SimStim theme park in NRC that has for the last few months attracted more annoying kids than a 'Busted' reunion is set to expand, a spokesperson reported yesterday.

This expansion will follow a three year plan to make EchoDrome the key night spot in NRC. It will cater to older clientele, with an on-site casino, theatre and nightclub.

Story: The Comedian

Bloo Monday

The Bloo Rooms, a favorite of strange folk who like their drinks without firefights, was hit by a grenade attack yesterday.

The explosion hit the rooms at peak time, killing seven and wounding fifteen more. Mr. Seth Winters, the owner of the club, is also missing at this time. Looks like cocktails are off the menu for a while.

Story: Peter P. Peters

Stocktastic!

Now for this month's stock news:

Technically there is no real stock news for Caligula Corporation this month, as a load of smouldering buildings & dead executives aren't worth that much.

CyberDyne report a 5% rise in this month's stock prices due to recent breakthroughs in SimStim development.

Shirow industries reported a paltry 1% stock rise, but this will increase when they release their newest tech, the Shirow 29. How do they get the buggers out so fast?

BioTech, gutted by the trouncing of Neo Atropine, sees shares drop by 12% this month. Someone's going to get fired for that one.

ChemTech have recorded a large share increase this month to their board, but have not yet disclosed the exact amount.

CocaCola Disney, everyone's favorite source of sugar and cartoon mice have reported a 2% drop in shares following a disasterous sales record of their newest feature film 'Waxy and The Goatlet'.

Story: The Accountant

Can't stop hearing the voices?
Feeling 'wired' all the time?

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For those times when your usual dosage just won't cut it.

TOUGHTALK

RICO POCOGIANNI

Rico asks tough questions on current issues burning down New Rome City. You don't like what he says? Blow *him*!!

So about Caligula...

A bunch of pornographers and their tech support is whacked by a moral majority group with the tactical arsenal of a small corporation or three.

Two board members survive this shitstorm long enough to change their wardrobe since this season it looks like black is the new black.

A thousand people died for the cause - yet if you look at the actions of the board you can see why they've made it to the top of the tree.

One keeps busy managing the biggest brothel in New Rome, setting up a charity for the victims and is consoled by a priest who kills with his claws.

The other is a lawyer who left the NRT in a hurry who seeks solace in drinking binges and partying with an INETstarlet and her colourful friends.

A bunch of bounty hunters give cashback on the empties so families are 'looked after' - one aspect of this charity is to retrain cyber technicians.

So, what does the future hold for Caligula? Will they go and re-float their shares and use the funds from the charity to get a new workforce?

Just in time for Christmas for that warm glow inside!!

Everybody go 'Aaaaah!!!'

Cyberpsychosis drug animal unfriendly

University of New Rome pharmaceutical students recently had to execute 25 cloned rabbits after testing of a new drug used to treat cyberpsychosis got slightly out of hand.

The drug, 4-para-ethyl-tri-methyl pentakenolase had been tested on rats with no problems. When tested on rabbits, it increased their sexual expression and aggression to unprecedented levels.

Five laboratory staff were given medical treatment once the test rabbits were quarantined. One member of staff has been given counselling following a bizarre incident involving three rabbits and tangled computer cables.

C-SWAT officers declined to comment on the incident.

Story: Roberto di Roboto

Neo-Atropine No-Go!!!

What do YOU think?

Q. A friend gives you a bag full of used money! What do you do?

- Take it and run!!** 28%
- Ask for the rest...** 14%
- Hit the mall** 25%
- Cap the freak** 11%
- Find a fixer** 12%
- Accept the job** 10%
- Give it back** 1%

What do YOU think? Brought to you by INTERPOLL

Hells bells! The saviour from the bio-plague, the much-hyped Neo Atropine has been confirmed as being about as much use as a chocolate flak jacket under the Plate!

Recent independant tests have shown Neo Atropine to have actually accelerated the plague's effect in several cases. Other tests have shown Neo-Atropine to cause cancer, heart problems and death.

Story: Duck and Cover

INET anchor bares all for Art



Giuletta: Hot

Giuletta Romero, reporter for *Il Giorno's* art and entertainment's slot on Channel 7 bared all to cover a nude photography exhibition held in the RIM on Monday.

Despite protests from moral majority groups and advisory warnings before the broadcast, there was an unprecedented peak in ratings for the show.

Giuletta is currently single.

Story: Romeo Spurgo

WE HAVE ALL YOU NEED...



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The Face of MegaBurger® takes out a TacoWrap!

Konrad Alistran, face of MegaBurger® was caught on camera with his lips wrapped around a steamy TacoWrap on a dawn munchies patrol in the RIM. It's unclear why the winner of the 2037 New Rome Marathon has defected in the war between hot snacks but it may be connected to the recent PR campaigns being hosted by MegaBurger at the Nightmare Asylum.

An official release from MegaBurger™ said *"No comment."*

Story: *Uwë Wanfries*

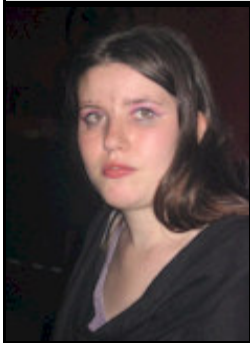
Bare-knuckle sandwich

RazorFest XI is upon us soon, pit fans! As everyone knows, RazorFest is the premier fight event of the year, with millions tuning in to watch cybernetically enhanced fighters beat the living crap out of each other in the comfort of their own home.

This year's event is set to be the biggest yet, with the reigning champion Everett Scott (sponsored by CyberNEX) tipped to win the event and the 50,000 C top prize. Everett famously won the event last year following the decapitation of his opponent, Shirow's Kevinn Opium.

Story: *Buzz*

Just good friends?



Serena: Suffering?

Local INET celebrity vampire icon and messiah to the Cult of Light Serena Blake was partying with Clifford Chance, Archimedes Industries legal director & Caligula Corporation survivor.

Mr. Chance's emotive statements regarding those killed while working for Caligula may have attracted the attention of Ms. Blake who herself has recently suffered personal loss at the hands of the Turing corporation.

The pair met at the Nightmare Asylum's elite Pandemonium where there is a tradition of guns, explosives and dancing.

Ms. Blake's recent plans to launch a production company specialising in gothica to gain creative input into her work may signal a shift for the INET star after the Wylde twin movie project.

Given Mr. Chance's prior track record with the Boston Mafia, NRT and the Caligula Corporation Ms. Blake may have found a perfect study for a tragic figure surrounded by desolation.

Story: *Allotta V.Dentata*



Chance: Inconsolable?

Fame and Money

If you've got news the rest of NRC needs to hear - e-mail neonfringeditor@ntlworld.com to see your story in the Fringe.

You may even be paid for it!

DRAMA
SPOTLIGHT



Freaklove Online (18:45)

The Northside-based show takes on current affairs as Maria (Maria Granzia) learns her boyfriend's father isn't a terrorist but is a fugitive from the law.

The show captures footage from a helicopter chase as Maria goes shopping when a pickpocket steals her purse and she must endure a strip search by mall security.

Rumours that Maria is really a mutant and doesn't just play one have been fuelled after her involvement with tattooed Twitching Corpses bassist babe Kira Brody.

An production executive for Freaklove Online revealed that the latest photoshoot for Magnificent7 *'should be enough evidence'* Maria is no mutant.

Maria poses naked in a set not dissimilar to the ones on Freaklove Online but doesn't have any of the prosthetics which make her character so infamous.

A rumoured movie deal is on the cards so we may see even more of Maria soon.

Story: *Giorgio DiDraco*