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MUN vs Youth Leg

Emily Sullivan

As many know, Model United Nations and Youth Legislature are very similar. They were more alike when Model UN took place in downtown Nashville way back in the day. But the question is which is better? Yes, they have many similar characteristics, but the differences seem to be numerous as well. We took a poll from random delegates while GA was in progress, and the results were very interesting.

83.3%
VOTED FOR
YOUTH LEG

16.7%
VOTED FOR
MODEL UN

According to the poll, the answer is clear to which is more popular. But why? "The main reason I think Youth Leg is better," says delegate Andrew Wacker, "is because it is still in Nashville. Don't get me wrong, I like MUN, but Youth Leg has my vote hands down." Two other delegates, Brittany Napoleon and Bridget Bechtel stated that "Youth Leg has a lot more freedoms. I guess we feel like we have a whole lot more

restrictions here. Especially since we have to take buses to restaurants." Looks like Youth Legislature has the General Assembly's vote on this one.

It Was Not Intentional

Addie Lee

In Conference A, every mealtime was met by the arrival of six shining buses ready to take a mass of hungry delegates more than ready for some sustenance. Unfortunately, this was not the case for lunch today. Instead of dismissing for lunch at the normal time, the General Assembly was left to wait patiently, as Susan Moriarti and Jessica Fain attempted to figure out why the buses were MIA. Evidently the buses were booked for the conference last year, but when it came time to eat lunch today, we were not on their schedule. Thankfully, the buses did eventually make it to the hotel and in the end, the owner of the bus company apologized. Now every room to become one pizza richer.

Nuclear Threat from Iran

Caroline Spore; sources: globalresearch.com, time.com

Iraq's nuclear program is one of the major international security issues in the world at this time. Several years ago International Atomic Energy director Mohamed elBaradei visited Tehran and stated that Iran was building a facility to enrich uranium (which is a crucial part of complex nuclear weapons) near Natanz. However, the plant was very far along and rapidly becoming more advanced, which meant that Iran could have access to nuclear weapons soon.

Iran proclaimed that it was going to activate a uranium conversion near Isfahan, producing uranium hexafluoride gas which is used in the uranium enrichment procedure. Sources revealed to *Time Magazine* that Iran secretly tested the uranium hexafluoride gas's ability to work. That was an infringement of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, to which Iran belongs.

These discoveries are considered very dangerous by some countries. Jon Wolfstahl, from the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace said, "If Iran were found to have an operating centrifuge, it would be a direct violation and is something that would need immediately to be referred to the United Nations Security Council for action." Iran, on the other hand, maintained that its nuclear program was for peaceful objectives and told elBaradei that Tehran would bring all of its programs under IAEA regulations.

United States officials also believed that Iran is involved in a nuclear weapons program. Iran,

which was already teetering on the edge of war with Iraq, also caused Israel to worry. Israel actually destroyed an Iraqi nuclear plant in Osirak in 1981, but the country hopes that it will not have to go that far with Iran.

Now, however, the situation is becoming more serious. A war using nuclear warheads against Iran could actually occur. Military exercises have been carried out, and the United States, Turkey, and Israel are prepared. The United States military plan is endorsed by NATO, and Iran is getting ready to fight back if necessary. Iranian Armed Forces have carried out large scale

military ventures in the Persian Gulf in case of an attack sponsored by the US. This could turn out to be a huge nuclear war if peace cannot be achieved. It is important for the youth of today to speak out. Remember, we are the future. We can create or destroy peace.



Crisis in Chad

Caroline Spore

Everything in Security Council was functioning in order this afternoon when suddenly Robert Lumley, Security Council President, announced that there was a crisis in Chad. The Security Council abruptly stopped their debate and read a briefing on the nature of the problem.

Chad has been engaged in a war between Chadian military forces and rebel groups since 2004. In December 2005, the different rebel groups banded together under the title of the United Front for Democratic Change to confront the Chad government. Even though the worst of the violence is in the western Darfur region of the Sudan, some of the fighting has overflowed into neighboring Chad. Refugees from Darfur have sought protection in Chad among the already displaced Chadians. In September of 2007, the Security

Council adopted a resolution to help. Hopefully the resolution will be enacted by mid-November.

The situation that the Security Council at the Model United Nations conference had to face was how to help the Chadian military immediately fight the rebels. It was the Security Council's job to draft a resolution on the spot in order to accomplish this. Eventually, the Council agreed that the main priority of the UN would be to protect the refugee camps in eastern Chad, but Chad must take care of the situation in its capital. This was a challenging exercise for the Security Council because it called for the immediate drafting of a resolution in order to solve a pressing crisis. However, all of the delegates did an excellent job and were able to work out a solution to the problem.

Fellow Delegates

Caroline Eddleman

1. What's your most favorite part of MUN?

- Grant Harvey: I like Performing the 'Magic Trick'

2. Who is your favorite officer?

- Mark Buente: Luke "The Maltese Falcon" VanFleteren. I've known him since the second grade

3. What are your nicknames?

- Mark: "Bunté"
- Grant: "The Striking Viper"
- Jamie: "The Desert Tiger"

4. What did you have for breakfast?

- The Desert Tiger: Let's put it this way: I'm lovin' it

5. What song do you most want to be played at the dance tonight?

- Bunté: Not Soulja Boi
- The Striking Viper: Entombment of a Machine
- The Desert Tiger: Can't Help Falling in Love With You

6. What do you do outside of Youth in Government?

- Bunte: I like to take long walks on the beach under a moonlit night
- The Striking Viper: I like to scream and play rugby

- The Desert Tiger: Playing harmonica

7. What does today mean to you?

- Bunte: It's my anniversary
- The Striking Viper: Its the day I miss the most amazing concert of my life: As I Lay Dying
- The Desert Tiger: It is five days until I get to eat a whole bunch of food

8. Why the exotic suits?

- The Striking Viper: Ten Items for Five Dollars

9. Where are they from?

- The Striking Viper: Goodwill

10. What are your favorite movies?

- The Striking Viper: Titanic
- Bunte: I can't tell you
- The Desert Tiger: Sweet Home Alabama

11. What are your favorite delegations?

- All: Timor-Leste, Luxembourg, and Qatar

12. Where did you go to lunch?

- All: Moe's and Ghingis Grill

13. Who is your favorite band/artist?

- The Striking Viper: "August Burns Red" "Mr. A and the Sunshine Band (Hullet)"
- Bunte: I don't like music and I'm tone deaf
- The Desert Tiger: Franklin High School Marching Rebel Band

Where's Nessie?

By Emily Sullivan

Earlier today I sat down with Katie Johnson and Mark Listes, the delegation of Atlantis. After hearing about their proposal last night, I knew that it had to get out to the public. The topic of their resolution: Nessie. Atlantis has a population of 4,300 fish and 45 mermaids, all of which thrive on the wellbeing of Nessie, the mascot of Atlantis. Unfortunately, as some of you know, Nessie is lost.

Why does Atlantis need Nessie you ask? As of now, without Nessie, the country is extremely

depressed and the economy is suffering greatly because Atlantis depends on tourism and Nessie was the main attraction. Without this flow of tourist funds, Atlantis will be lost *forever*.

Nessie is a magical creature. She has the ability to cure AIDS and do just about anything else. It is vital to the world that Nessie be found. She is an 18 cubic miles long, green-colored, blue-eyed, red-mouthed magical creature with two extra magical purple scales. So why can't Nessie be found with her enormous

size and obvious characteristics? "It's simple," says Johnson, "she's wearing Harry Potter's one and only Invisibility Cloak...duh!"

The delegation of Atlantis believes it is imperative that Nessie is found soon for the survival of Atlantis and the well being of mankind. If you happen to come across a creature of the previous description, please notify the delegation of Atlantis as soon as possible. Keep your eyes peeled because Nessie could be absolutely anywhere.

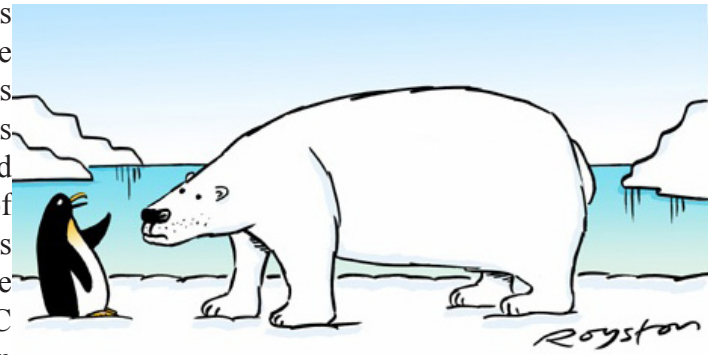
Global Warming

Ashley Whitten

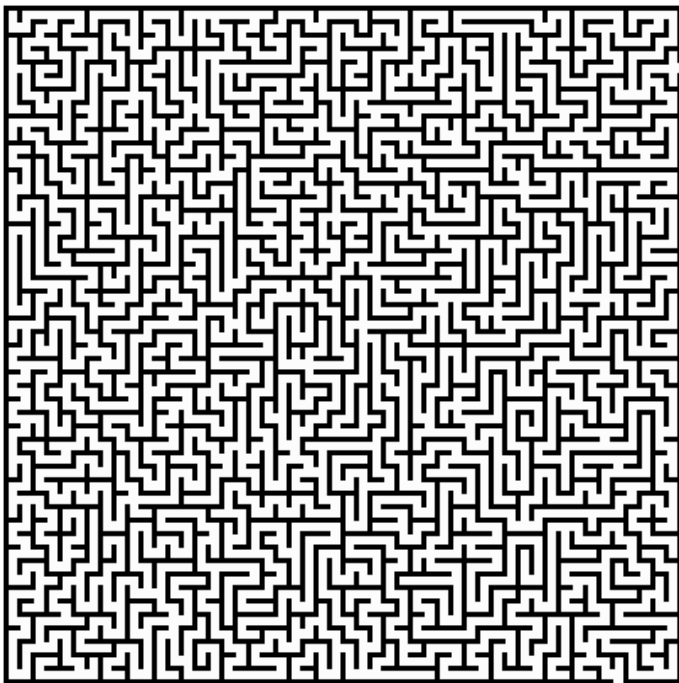
The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) has declared that global warming may bring “abrupt and irreversible” transformations to the climates of the world. Global warming is a serious problem with effects such as severe heat waves and tropical storm intensities. The increasing melting rate of glaciers is slowly raising the extinction rate of several different species. Even if the level of carbon dioxide remained the same, the sea water levels would continue to rise. Coastlines run a risk of being completely altered by this melting ice in the Arctic. Its drastic impact is not only on the Arctic, but on the whole world.

The United Nations is finally reviewing how to assess and change the current dilemma of global warming. United Nations Security General Ban Ki-moon challenged all governments to act upon the findings of the IPCC by reducing their carbon dioxide consumption. The IPCC has discovered that the greenhouse gases emitted by humans alone have caused a rising rate of 90% of the world’s current climate changes. The IPCC has also proven that less carbon

dioxide in the atmosphere would not only help reduce the negative effects of global warming, but would also improve the health of the people of the world as well. These findings by the IPCC will be presented to the UN climate convention and the Kyoto Protocol on December 3, 2007.



“Well, *one* of us is in the wrong cartoon.”



Watch Channel 31 tonight to see Carlos “Crank That!”

Total Plan Padrino Money Raised: \$1850

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