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Social Media, Teens & Internet Car Crashes

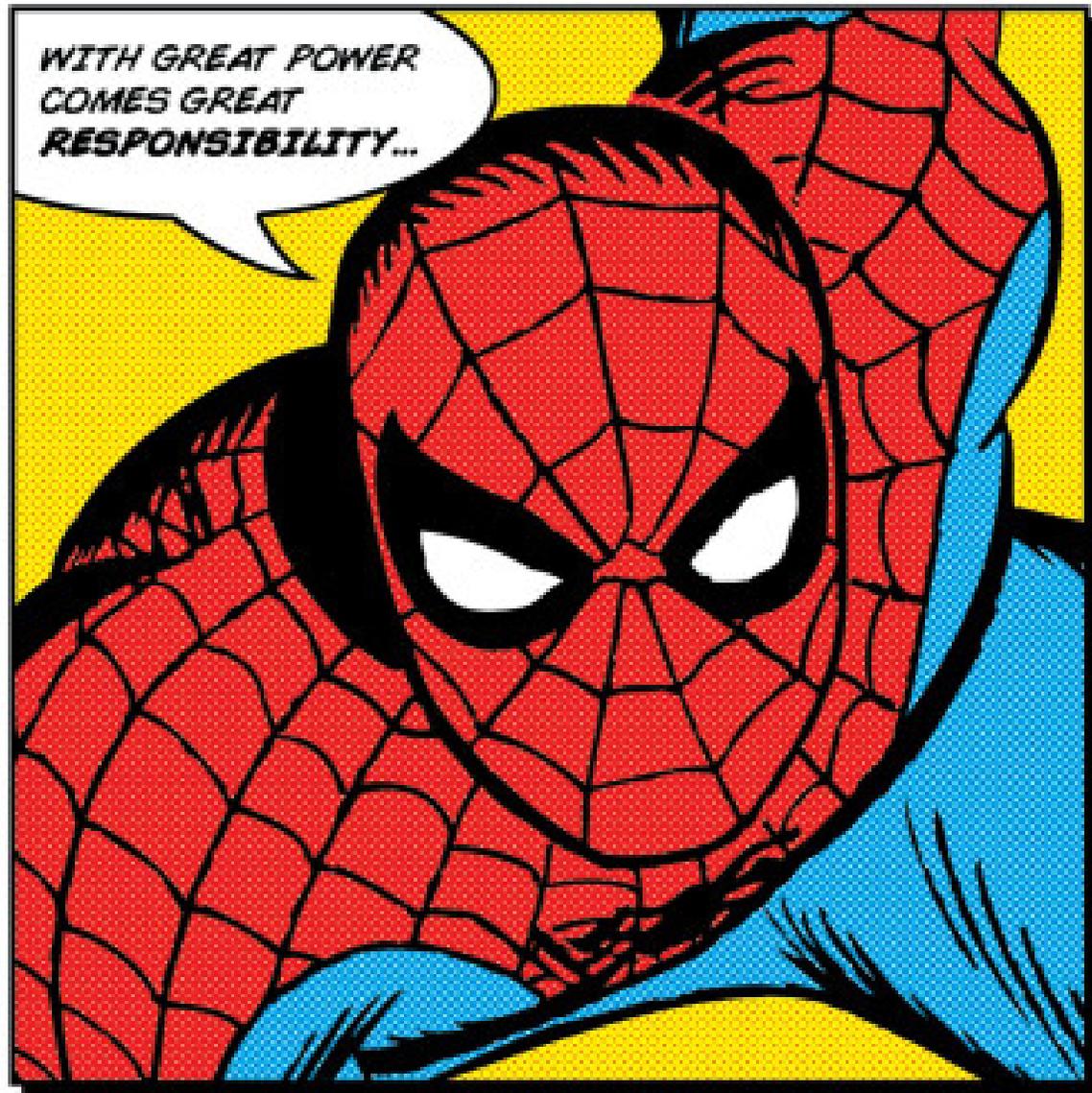
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Internet Car Crashes (1)



Internet Car Crashes (2)



Finkel v. Dauber

“Secret” Facebook Group “90 Cents Short of a Dollar”

oooooh i like this group.

BTW the 11th cent, unbeknownst to many, acquired AIDS while on a cruise to Africa (with another member of the group who shall remain nameless).

While in Africa she was seen f [REDACTED] a horse. NICHTE NICHTE eleventh cent! I mean you know . . . I kinda felt bad for the

eleventh cent...but then again I felt WORSE for the horse. ...
(Leah Herz 1/29/07, 5:04pm)

In regards to the 7th cents comments,, it was not from an African cruise... it was from sharing needles with different heroin addicts, this led to cross “mojination” which caused the HIV virus... she then persisted to screw a baboon which caused the epidemic to spread.

(Jeff Schwartz 1/29/07, 7:43pm)

I heard that the 11th cent got aids when she hired a male prostitute who came dressed as a sexy fireman. apparantly .. she was lonely, because her friends no longer associated with her. her sexy fireman prostitute was her only company. in addition to acquiring aids, this nameless 11th cent aquired crabs, and syphillis.

(Melinda Danowitz, 1/29/07, 8:00 pm)

also i heard that the stds (sexually transmitted diseases) she got were os bad that she morfed intot he devil in one of our pictures...oops did i reviel the 11th cent?>

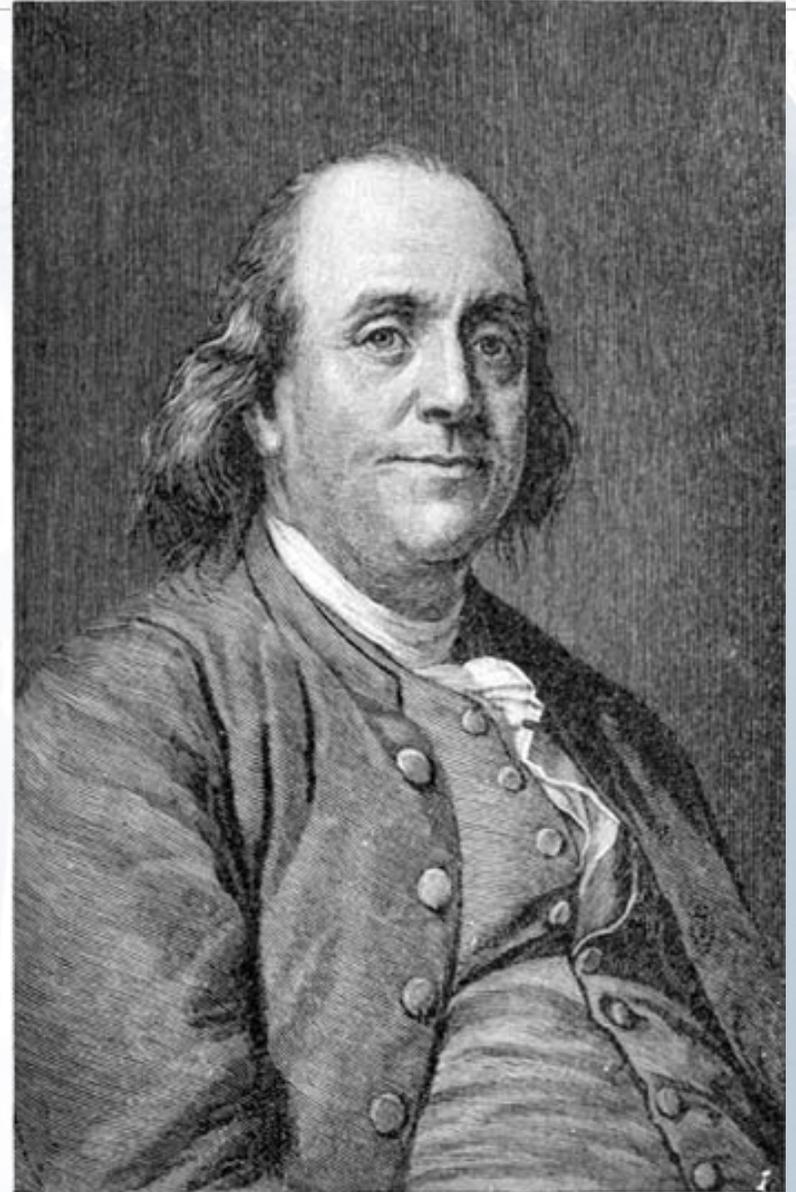
(Michael Dauber, 1/29/07, 8:32 pm)



Finkel v. Dauber Lesson

“Three may keep a secret, if two of them are dead.”

- Benjamin Franklin



D.C. v. R.R. (1)

- DC has personal website promoting his acting career
- Classmates post to the guestbook:
 - “F***, I'm going to kill you.”
 - “You are an oversized f*** I just want to hit you in the neck—hard.... [G]o to the 405 [freeway] bridge and jump.”
 - “I hate f*** You need to be stopped.”
 - “I am looking forward to your death.”
 - “Not only are you a massive f****, but must absolutely quit showing your face at my school. You are now officially wanted dead or alive.”

D.C. v. R.R. (2)

This message is from PacBell:

Person::aisfjdhdsfkh@akhdsk.com:::1097199739::67.122.166.195::Hey dan, I want to rip out your f[REDACTED] heart and feed it to you. I heard your song while driving my kid to school and from that moment on I've wanted to kill you. If I ever see you I'm going to pound your head in with an ice pick. F[REDACTED] you, you d[REDACTED]-riding penis lover. I hope you burn in hell.

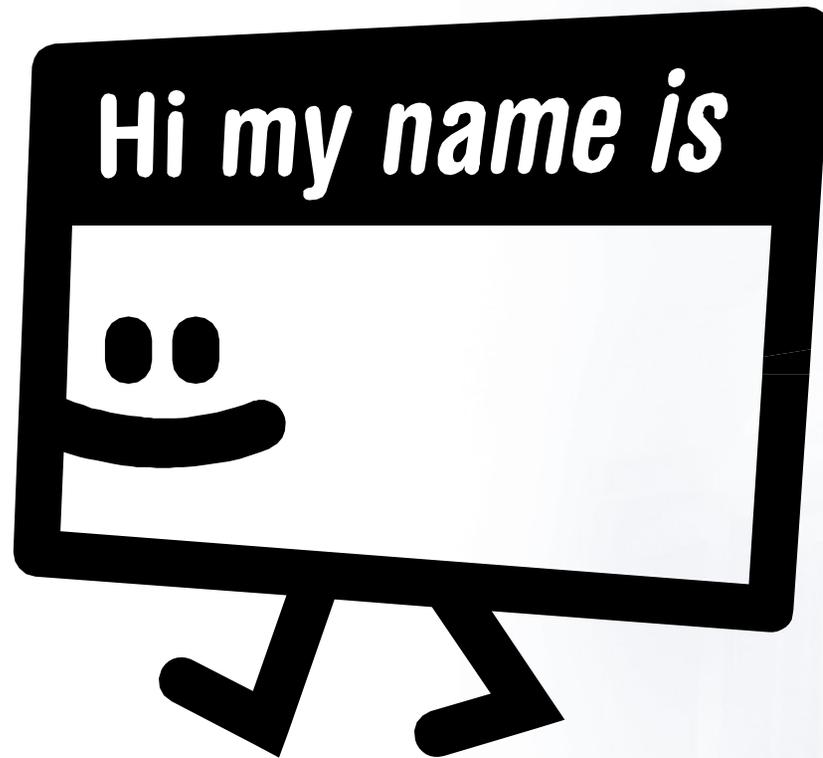
- RR explained his motives

- “I had no opinion about [D.C.] whatsoever. I did not like or dislike him...”
- “My initial response to the site was to be offended and put off by its ‘I am better than you’ attitude and its blatant bragging and self promotion.”
- “I was in a playful mood and I decided to add my own message to the Internet graffiti contest that was apparently going on.”

D.C. v. R.R. (3)

- DC and his family move; DC changes school
- DC sues high school, administrators, teachers and classmates/parents
- Case goes to California Supreme Court
- School spent over \$500k on legal fees in 2 years
- DC and RR settle lawsuit 8 years after posting

D.C. v. R.R. Lessons



**“It’s all fun
and games
until
someone
gets sued”**

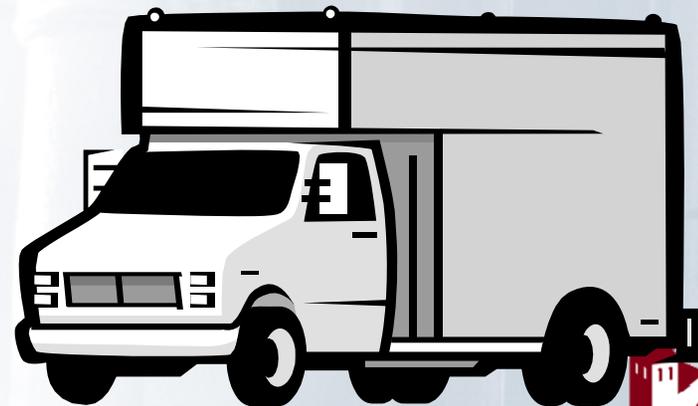
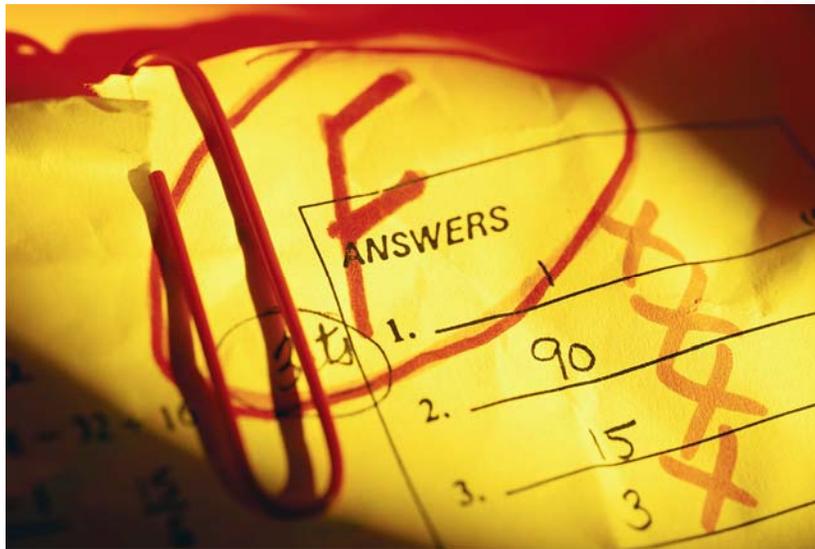
Moreno v. Hanford Sentinel (1)



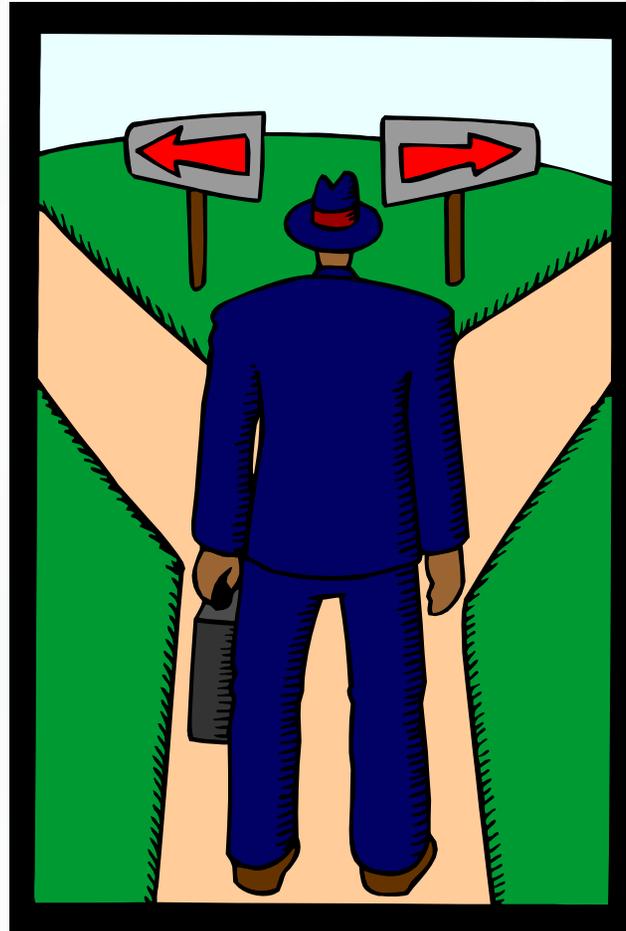
Moreno v. Hanford Sentinel (2)

- **“ODE TO COALINGA” posted to Moreno’s MySpace Page**
 - “Looking back at the people I saw in Coalinga this weekend...I pity them”
 - “I don't care much for Coalinga. or the people that reside there or the friends I used to have while being there. In comparison to my college friends, they are nothing, were nothing, and remain nothing”
 - “I think inside these individuals (and you all know who you are) know they can't make it in life”
 - “That's right ***** ...envy me because thats all you can do”
 - “that is all that you really can do...talk nonsense **** because you are nothing....”
- **Moreno deletes post after 6 days**
- **A MySpace “friend” sent the Ode to former principal, who sent to local newspaper editor...**

Moreno v. Hanford Sentinel (4)



Moreno v. Hanford Sentinel Lessons



Implications

- **“If you don’t have anything nice to say, don't say anything at all”**
- **You own your words online**
- **Social Media ≠ Hallway Chatter**
 - Sharing = loss of control

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