An ImagiNation Love Story

His Toon caught her eye. He was intrigued by her name.

The first night they met online in The ImagiNation Network, they played games until 2:30 a.m. Then they talked on the phone for three hours – an hour and a half on her phone bill and an hour and a half on his.

Just three and a half weeks after meeting online, ImagiNation members Julie Carlson and Brady Huffer started out on a new life together.

The very same weekend they met face-to-face

DreamLover

for the first time, they packed up her belongings in his car and set out for California.

Back in
October of
1993, Carlson was
a new member of
The ImagiNation
Network, with the
online name "DahlFinz."

"I remember thinking that her name was a little silly," Huffer recalls. "But I was just about ready to take a job at the Monterey Bay Aquarium, so I decided to say hi to her because I thought she must like dolphins."

Huffer's online name at the time was DreamLover. "After the song," he says.

"I thought, 'Jeez, what a corny name,'"
Carlson recalls. "I was just about to log off and
go to bed, because I had to get up at 6 in the
morning. But he asked me to play Cribbage,
and I accepted."

"I only got one hour of sleep that night," she adds, laughing.

At first, they were only friends – best friends at that, but purely on a platonic level.

They played games every night for the next few days – mostly Backgammon and Cribbage. And as they played, they talked – about their favorite music, their experiences growing up and past love affairs.

"I make friends really easily, but I don't often let them get too close," Huffer says. "For some reason, right from the start, I felt really safe talking to Julie."

When one of Carlson's friends suggested the pair might soon be more than pals, Carlson

dismissed the idea. "My friend

knew long before I did," Carlson says. "And eventually, I came to the conclusion that she was right." Do.hl Finz Actually, by most people's standards, it didn't take that long. After just a week and a half of intense online visits and phone calls, they began talking romance. At first, it didn't look as if anything serious

would come of it.

"We were 2,000 miles apart," Huffer says.
"Neither of us had a very reliable car.
Neither one of us had a lot of money."

Carlson recalls the phone call when she suggested that she move to California to be with Huffer, to be his girlfriend. "He was shocked," she remembers. "There was dead silence on the phone. Then, he was very, very happy."

She put in her two-week notice at work, and began making plans to move.

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OTHER ONLINE ROMANCES

Through the years, quite a few couples have fallen in love in The ImagiNation Network.

"We used to try to keep track of the ones we'd hear about, but we stopped counting at around 80 or 90," jokes one longtime ImagiNation employee.

If love makes the world go 'round, then the world of ImagiNation is spinning like crazy from all the friendships, online romances and serious relationships that have developed between members.

Maybe you're looking for a little romance to take you out of the winter doldrums, maybe you've already found your special someone, but it couldn't hurt to take some time this month to get to know more of the people who like to call ImagiNation home.

Who knows, there might even be a love connection waiting for you in ImagiNation.

CUPID GOES ONLINE

Need help writing a Valentine's Day letter to that special someone? You can get help from ImagiNation's very own Cupid if you want to send a Valentine poem, graphic or letter to your sweetheart.

Write to Cupid at E-Mail Box 123.

Courting Time!

With online romances, a slow courtship is best because it gives you more of an opportunity to learn who your sweetheart *really* is.

Remember that online, anyone can say anything. This is not to say that YOUR sweetheart can't be trusted, but just make sure that you really know everything is on the up-and-up before you get in too deep!

Meanwhile, here are some "getting to know you" guidelines:

- Be very cautious about giving out your home phone number or your address. Maintaining a certain degree of privacy just makes good sense. To do this, some members maintain a box at the U.S. Post Office so that they don't have to give new friends their home address. Others offer to call, but won't give out their own phone number right away.
- If you do eventually decide to talk on the phone with your online sweetheart, keep in touch with your "gut feeling." Do you still like your sweetheart now that you're talking over the phone line instead of the computer network? Do all the details jibe?
- When (and if) you decide to meet face to face, choose a public setting on "neutral turf." That way, if your expectations don't match the reality, you can both go your separate ways, no harm done.

The Fates of TANIA ON NEVER WALK ALONE

Welcome to "The Fates of Twinion," the newest multi-player fantasy role-playing epic on The ImagiNation Network. Join real people in real time as you search for the secrets of a cursed Kingdom buried beneath a live volcano.

Everyone you meet could be a real live person, as literally thousands of people gather each night to experience the multi-player dungeon epic that Strategy Plus Magazine calls "champion among multi-player fantasy games...a game too big for just one player."

Team up with a Wizard from Wisconsin, a Knight from New Jersey or a Thief from DC. Build your character by completing quests, acquiring spells, and gaining experience as you explore the labyrinths. Talk to Elves, Trolls, Gnomes, Dwarves, Orcs and maybe even a few humans from all over America.

You'll meet the nicest people. Some of them may even let you live.

Take on enemies with a sophisticated combat system, develop a killer inventory, or form monstrous friendships with other adventurers. Explore a shadowy kingdom and be back in time tor bed. It's all in a evening's play.

Order The Fates of Twinion from The Mall in ImagiNation or call 1-800-IMAGIN-1.

IMAGINATION

member services

REAL QUESTIONS FROM REAL MEMBERS TO IMAGINATION'S MEMBER SERVICES

- Q: My computer tells me I have insufficient memory, even though I have 4 megabytes of RAM! Why don't I have enough memory?
- A: The ImagiNation Network requires 580k (593,920 bytes) of conventional memory. Installing a new piece of hardware in your computer (like a CD-ROM drive) or certain types of software (like a hard drive compression utility) can use up a lot of your computer's conventional memory by adding new device drivers and TSRs to the config.sys and autoexec.bat files on your hard drive. Using a memory



management program can free up more conventional memory, but even if you're not a memory management expert, you can easily make a boot disk. You'll need a blank disk that fits in your

A: drive and is the same density (high density or double density) as that drive. Change to your ImagiNation Network directory (usually C:\(INN\) and type: BOOTDISK. Follow the on-screen instructions. When your boot disk is finished, restart your computer with this disk in the A: drive each time you want to connect to The ImagiNation Network and you'll have plenty of memory.

- Q: Why is it that every time I try to connect to The ImagiNation Network I hear a busy signal?
- A: Verify that you are calling a valid access phone number for The ImagiNation Network. To do this, type: INSTALL from the directory in which you installed The ImagiNation Network (usually C:\INN). On the Installation Choices screen, highlight Access Phone # and press [Enter]. Press the [F1] function key, enter your area code and press [Enter] again. Highlight a phone number from the provided list and press [Enter]. Follow the on-screen prompts. If the problem persists, please report the busy access phone number to Member Services.

- Q: How do I get into CasinoLand?
- A: Since CasinoLand is an adults-only casino games area, we must receive proof that you are 18 years of age or older for access. To obtain CasinoLand access, simply write us a note stating that you are in fact 18 years of age or older, sign it and fax it to us at (209) 642-0885. You can also request CasinoLand access online in The ImagiNation Network Mall or you can mail a request to us at P.O. Box 1550, Oakhurst, CA 93644. However, if you don't see CasinoLand in the upper left-hand corner of the Map, your copy of the software may not include it. If this is the case, you can call Member Services to order an upgrade. Also, if you installed from a single 3.5" disk, you will need to install the full version of The ImagiNation Network software that is automatically mailed to you once you become
- Q: Help! The ImagiNation Network thinks I'm a new member. It keeps asking for my name and address.

a member.

A: If you deleted The ImagiNation Network from your hard drive or if you are installing it on a new computer, you may need to re-enter your Member ID number. Change to the directory in which you installed The ImagiNation Network (probably C:\INN), type: ID, followed by your 10 digit member ID number and press [Enter]. For example, if your member number was "1234567890", you would type: ID 1234567890 and hit [Enter]. If you don't know your Member ID number or if you have any other questions, please call Member Services at 1-800 IMAGIN-1.

Going to the Chaplet (and We're Gonna Get Married!)

The bride and groom had never laid eyes on each other. They'd never heard each other's voices.

Or exchanged photos.

But they knew that they loved each other—and that they wanted to get married, even if they could be together only in ImagiNation.

Through friends they met HOSTRex, a legally ordained, nondenominational minister who also happens to work for The ImagiNation Network as a HOST.

Could he make them man and wife, they asked.

The answer was yes, sort of.
"The problem is that I can
only do a legal wedding in
the state of California,"
HOSTRex says. "I could legally
marry people online, but only if
they were in the same room with
me, because I have to verify who it
is I'm marrying and I have to be able
to hear their responses."

The only option was an online commitment ceremony. And so one day last July HOSTRex, the bride, the groom, (who want to remain anonymous) and their witnesses gathered together in the Tavern of the Volcano Yserbius for the exchanging of vows.

Since then, HOSTRex has officiated at a number of online commitment ceremonies. Plus, he's even performed a real wedding for a couple that met and fell in love online.

"It's a basic human need to feel loved and needed by somebody," HOSTRex says. "I know that I come in contact every day with people who have found someone online – someone that they can love, someone that they can trust. Even, after a semblance, someone that they can give themselves to."

HOSTRex says that for some couples, the fantasy world online allows them to show who they really are. "You deal with the person as he is on the inside," he points out. "That goes a long way toward building a real relationship. I've seen many online relationships or romances that just get deeper and deeper."

Of course, some of the online romances develop into full-fledged relationships in the "real" world outside of ImagiNation. Of these, some blossom into marriage. Others simply fizzle.

Many couples in ImagiNation, whether because of the geographic distances involved or the great leap of faith it takes

to transform a "virtual" romance into a real-world love connection, never make it to a face-to-face meeting.

So why do some rush to the online altar, then, even if nothing "real" can ever come of it? HOSTRex says it's not that online couples

need to get married, it's that they just want to tie the knot. "It's a way to declare to each other that they're committed to one another. It's a way to say that you have a close, intimate, long-distance friend. Someone who will be there when you need them."

THE PERFECT GIFT..

for your online sweetheart this Valentine's Day may be one that you create yourself. Some ideas to get you started:

Send a dozen roses to your sweetheart's mail box a la @--}-

Post an extra special message on a Bulletin Board you know your sweetie will read.

Send a gooey love poem via the ImagiNation Post Office.

Create a personalized timeline of the special moments the two of you have shared. Include the date you met, your first online "line", and other details of your romance.

Use the Animation bulletin board in Teen Scene (in the Clubhouse) to give your sweetie a moving picture.

Rekindle the spark by replaying your first online "date" – whether it was Shadow of Yserbius, Poker, Spades, whatever the game that got you started talking in the first place, play it again.

POSTINGS! There's something for everyone on The

ImagiNation Network Bulletin Boards, But if you don't see everything you're looking for, send your ideas for new Bulletin Boards to E-Mail Box 937 or post them in the Private Notes to the Host bulletin board found in all rooms of the Clubhouse.

INN HELP ROOM

General Interest INN Bulletin Board List INN Member Get-Togethers INN Special Events Member to Member Prodigy Game Point Quotations Suggestions

Write for Tech Support

New Card Ideas SciFi RPGs Star Trek

SINGLES CLUB

Books Classic Rock Debates Life in the 90s Movies Single Parents Stratego Strategy Television

TECH TOWER

Computer Audio Computer Ethics Electronics Hardware Programmers' Forum Science Software **TechNotes**

TEEN HANGOUT

Friend-to-Friend General Discussion

BULLETIN BOARDS

ALL CLUBHOUSE ROOMS

Info from ImagiNation Private Notes to the INN Host

BACKGAMMON DEN

Backgammon League BG Announcements and Rules **BG** League Standings **BG** Strategy Brain Teasers General Discussion Hobbies and Crafts INN BG Tournaments The Arts

BRIDGE CLUB

Bridge Club Activities Bridge World Standard Conventions and Treatments General Discussion How Do You Bid This Hand Kantar's Korner Partnership Desk Post Tourney Results Here Tournament Info and Winners Tourney and Lesson Sign-ups

BRIDGE PARLOR

ACBL Standard Game Card **Bidding Panel** Bridge Club Activities General Discussion Ladder Game Results Ladder Rounds Ladder Standings Partnership Desk Sheinwold on Bridge

CARD CRIB

Anime Arcade Games Comic Books Computer Games Crib Challengers Cribbage Ladder Board Home Video Games Science Fiction Sierra Games

CHESS CLUB

Chess Chat Chess Club Administration Chess Tournaments Chess Workshop Great Chess Games Ladder Rounds Players List and Standings Read Me First Special Events

FUCHREVILLE

Fuchre Ladder **Fuchre Tournaments** On-Line Ethics Poetry Writers' Circle

FLIP N CHECKERS

Add-A-Comment Corner BlackJack League Checkers League INN Checkers Tournaments Poker League Serious Add-A-Chapter

GO-MAGES DEN

General Discussion GO General GO Players List GO Rules GO Tournaments Misc. Trading Card Games MTG General MTG 1-Game Ladder MTG 3-Game Ladder

HEARTS CLUB

Disability Issues Gardening Genealogy Explorers Hearts Strategy Music Recipes Teachers' Forum Travel

INN UNIVERSITY

Ask A Professor Campus Issues Class Sign-ups General Discussion Schedule of Classes Self-Help Discussion Suggestions for Classes University Announcements

MARRIED LIFE

Family Values Making Marriage Work Palace Wit and Humor Parenting Prayer Requests Rhyme and Rhetoric Soap Operas Twelve-Step Programs

MYSTIC PORTAL

Astrology Clairvovance Dreams and Interpretations General Discussion Hauntings Martial Arts Discussion Mythology Parapsychology Sightings Spiritualism

PILOTS LOUNGE

Air Tactics Flight Sims General Discussion INN Tournaments Ladder Tournaments Pilots and Squads Wanted Pilots Proving Grounds Sky Wars Tournaments

RPG ZONE

Electronic RPGs Fantasy RPGs **GM-Players Forum** Misc. RPGs Multi-Genre RPGs

SINGLES DEUX

Current Events Environmental Issues Ethics Philosophy **Politics** Religion

SINGLES SPOT

Breaking Un General Discussion Meeting People in the 90s Romance Singles String Along Story Spot

SPADES PLACE

Card Games Cars and Cycles General Discussion Investments Spades Strategy

SPADES TOO

Collectibles General Discussion Ham Radio Jam Session One-Game Ladder The Dating Game Three-Game Ladder

SPORTS DEN

Baseball Basketball Fantasy Sports League Football General Sports Hockey Paladins MLand Tourney Info Soccer Twinion Strategy Yserbius Strategy

Gobbledygook Heavy Metal Music Progressive Rock Music Ran Music

TEEN SCENE

Advice Animation Animation Comments General Discussion Poetry Teen Hangout

TOURNAMENTS 3-D Golf Tournament

Boogers Tournament Cribbage Tournament FlipFlop Tournament Hearts Trny Rules/Matches Hearts Trny Sign-ups/Results **INN Spades Tournament** MiniGolf Tournament Poker Tournament SneakATac Tournament Stratego Tournament Tourney Info and Champions

TRIVIA HAVEN INN Shorthand <ROFL> Lemmings Leap

Name That Oldie NTN Chat NTN Trivia Info Tangled Triviots Trivia Trivia Game Schedule and Rules Trivia Scores & Announcements Triviot Games

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

Conference Guide

Computers & Games 10 a.m.

On Computers TECH TOWER (Taven+ 82551)

p.m. Virtual Reality SIG TECH TOWER (REALITY 80456)

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5 p.m. Programmers Palace

SPORTS DEN (Zack 47973) DOOMsters

TEEN SCENE (KillerCow 74535) Computer Gaming Club TEEN HANGOUT (Arcane 118133)

7 p.m. PC Flight Simulators CHESS CLUB (Avalance 30559)

TTG Trivia Madness

TTG Trivia Madness

TRIVIA HAVEN

TRIVIA HAVEN

OS/2 Users Group SPADES TOO

(FrankW+ 21493)

6 p.m. VGPA CARD CLUB (LCChris 37788) 10 a.m ing BBS'ing TECH TOWER (Ren+ 58848)

Games & Strategies

TTG Trivia Madness TTG Trivia Madness

TTG Trivia Madness SIVIA HAVEN Bridge Clinic (BridgeDr+ 83491) TTG Trivia Madness

TRIVIA HAVEN

TTG Blue Monday Trivia

PBP Team Conference SINGLES DELIX (PBPKicker 83713)

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TRIVIA HAVEN 11 n m Doom Rules TEEN SCENE (AI 160135

Go Club FLIP N CHECKERS (Xeon5Kyu 38502)

TTG Trivia Madness ΤΡΙΛΙΑ ΗΦΛΕΝ TTG Trivia Madness

TRIVIA HAVEN TTG Fast & First Trivia

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10 a.m

Cribbage

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Beginning Assembly Language INN UNIVERSITY Drop In

4 p.m. Twinion INN UNIVERSITY Drop In 5 n m

Adv. Red Baron INN UNIVERSITY Drop In Hearts INN UNIVERSITY

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A conference is like listening in on a party

line - but it's OK to drop in with a comment

when you like. In conferences, people with

similar interests share their ideas about a

favorite subject – anything from games to TV

What's a Conference?

shows to dating tips.

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INN UNIVERSITY Drop In 11 a.m. Backgammon INN UNIVERSITY Drop In

> Veerhine INN UNIVERSITY Drop In 2 p.m. SierraLand

INN UNIVERSITY Drop In 5 p.m.

INN UNIVERSITY

MedievaLand Guilds

Paladins HELP ROOM (1st & 3rd Sundays only) (Advenger 67446) 3 n m

KOY: Dragon Court EUCHREVILLE (Malicious 23473)

Guild of the Golden Arrow MYSTIC PORTAL (AdamD 122906)

WEOT Guild FLIP N CHECKERS (Trevor 76793) SOF FF Guild SINGLES DEUX (Zationa+ 100636) Falcon Guild BACKGAMMON DEN (PatrickC 105437)

FRF Guild GO SIERRA2 (Thanatos 117569) Red Dragon INN Org (MILORD+ 85469)

FLIP N CHECKERS (Dworkin+ 14288) EW VEA Guild GO-MAGES DEN (Serafin 60330) 7 p.m.

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(Yuglooc2 67832) CARD CRIB (Astec 132391) VFA Guild FLIP N CHECKERS (Sabre+ 70464)

6 p.m GOT: High Council TECH TOWER (Aragon 91073) FLIP N CHECKERS (Sweetie 105798) **KOY Sword Swamp**

FLIP N CHECKERS (Amyrlin 197743) GO MAGES DEN (Queen Ehlana + 150016) COV:RR FLIP N CHECKERS (Akasha+ 164495) GO-MAGES DEN (Brigid 123154) GO-MAGES DEN

(WickedOne 57026)

4 n.m Dark Dragons GO MAGES DEN (DarkWolf 123273) **EOF Guild Jamborie** TECH TOWER (Boldur 135353) FFBH Guild

MYSTIC PORTAL (LordPat 105038) KOR Guild MYSTIC PORTAL (CaptainM 102485) GOT: Evil Way SPADES TOO (Wolfer 96024) GOT: Challenge Arena FLICHREVILLE (Ravenfire 128036) SOF: RR

(Qwerty 111781) 7 p.m. Deady Guild MYSTIC PORTAL (SirKillI 102641) Twinion Dwellers Guild CHESS CLUB (Dunlicator+ 73050)

GO-MAGES DEN

TEEN SCENE (Shimmer 138626) 6 p.m

GOT: Lance Lair GO MAGES DEN (EKaterina 100805) GOT: RR GO MAGES DEN (Jessica 113374) 7 p.m. KOY: MM

FLIP N CHECKERS (Dahl 81820) SOF: Raptor Reach SINGLES DEUX (SirJorge 83803) SOF Guild SINGLES DEUX

6 n.m AOD Guild MYSTIC PORTAL (Lancelot 116767)

Dragon Princess Guild GO-MAGES DEN (Garion 121658) 8 p.m.

VOYS Guild FLIP N CHECKERS (AVARICE 107388)

(Barburas+ 61339) 5 p.m. Companions Guild BACKGAMMON DEN (Hasan 71900) **Defending Angels Guild** SINGLES DEUX (Nirvana 102115) 6 p.m.

KOY Volcano Ridge

MARRIED LIFE

4 p.m.

GO-MAGES DEN (Axl 84253) GOT: Sword Swami CHESS CLUB (Richard 97322) Wiards High Sorcery SPORTS DEN

(Nuitari 74076) Aces Guild RPG ZONE

(Thomas+ 102263) **GOK Council of Krynn** CHESS CLUB (Huma 132403) MYSTIC PORTAL (Jalea + 88492)

Blue Knights Squadron

PILOTS LOUNGE

(BKMalice+ 22916)

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HEARTS CLUB (Oak 80756) League Of Veldare SPADES TOO (SirNick 82228) NOR High Con SINGLES DELIX (Avatar 81829) II NA Meeting Hall GO MAGES DEN (Lythor 98948)

SUNDAY

Let the Games Begin!

As the ImagiNation Network has grown, the number of online tournaments and clubs has skyrocketed.

It's simple to register your tournament or club; write to the Club Registry at E-Mail Box 699, or drop us a line at Imaginings.

577 Airport Blvd., Suite 300, Burlingame, CA 94010.

(Iret 68169) Champions of Justice PILOTS LOUNGE (Solaris 127288) Dark Hawk Campaign BACKGAMMON DEN (DMKruzer 69307)

5 p.m Bass Player's Club TEEN SCENE (Bassman 37315

Hernes Unlimited

CHESS CLUB (Alarik 57615)

> 8 p.m TOURNAMENTS (Reethoven 102586)

Pearl Jamers HEARTS CLUB (PLLITO 126074)

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10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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Led Zep Fan Club SINGLES DEUX (Isildur 101911)

Guitar Club EUCHREVILLE (John Lennon 33101)

MTV/VH1 Talk HEARTS CLUB

Political & Social

Hell's Bandits Squad CARD CRIB (HBMagnum+ 81551)

TEEN SCENE (HAFJubilee 89367) 6 p.m. DC Squad
PILOTS LOUNGE (DCRocky 165838)

Ditteaux Institute SINGLES DELIX (Bianca 69065)

> DeathCrushers Squad PILOTS LOUNGE (DCManda 55228)

HA-Squadron Briefing PILOTS LOUNGE (PsvHA 147035) 7 p.m. PILOTS LOUNGE Colorblind Dogfighters Snuad PILOTS LOUNGE (CDMedin 115742)

PILOTS LOUNGE (LXMichael 104114)

Flying Circus Squad PILOTS LOUNGE (FCSev+ 16785, FC9Lurker+)

PILOTS LOUNGE

(SHRattler 14497)

(FASAsten 35280) Death Crusaders PILOTS LOUNGE (DCJaseAce 73432)

FLIP N CHECKERS

Black Dragon Squad PILOTS LOUNGE (Sniner 95018) Lafayette Escadrille

Squad PILOTS LOUNGE (HeroLE+ 71625)

Red Knights Squad CARD CLUB (RKFokker 56134) GO-MAGES DEN (CourgarLB 140255) Iron Fanles

(IFMattW 16002)

HIV/AIDS Info Conference

XWSquad Meeting (XWLuke 79664)

Desert Fighters Squad SPADES TOO (Justin 73346) FX Squad PILOTS LOUNGE

(FXSplash 22602) Hell's Bandits BW PILOTS LOUNGE (HBPerlShot 81126)

EXO-Squad: BRAVURA SINGLES CLUB (Baroke+ 30929)

Religious & Spiritual

Pagan and Wiccan MYSTIC PORTAL (Simone+ 37543)

Bible Study & Discussion SINGLES DEUX (Peace 69872)

Walking with God SPORTS DEN (Blair + 62922)

Divination Conference

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Psychic/Mystic Conference MYSTIC PORTAL (Gwydion+ 111067) Christian Conference (DonRxCC 12419)

Role-Playing Games

Red Dragon Inn GO-MAGES DEN Magic: The Gathering GO-MAGES DEN

3FL Fantasy Draft TOURNAMENT BOOM (Fetters 16178) Dr. Who GO-MAGES DEN

(DrWho 140280) Challange the Gods (APHOSirAce+ 89646) SPORTS DEN

(Fiberman 86401) 4 p.m. Toon **RPG ZONE** (Benghor 68751) **OWA Wrestling** SPORTS DEN (Stevei+ 131978)

Red Dragon Inn RPG ZON Magic: The Gathering GO-MAGES DEN

(Salem 102224)

Me and My Dragon SINGLES DELIX (Calamar 58925)

USS Shadow SPADES TOO (AdmCeaux+ 94720) 7 p.m. USS Galaxy **RPG ZONE** (CaptBell 55010)

Red Dragon Inn Magic: The Gathering GO-MAGES DEN

INNWF Wrestling SPORTS DEN (Enforcer 126753) Leaders of Light **RPG ZONE** (Rev 139125)

World of Terath SINGLES DEUX (KiraDM+ 79917)

Red Dragon Inn RPG ZON BattleTech

MARRIED LIFE (BtechPlayer 86062) Realms of Avskria SPADES TOO (AyskriaWM+ 98896)

6 p.m. USS Phaenix SINGLES DEUX (CaptGrant 53752) MWF Wrestling SPORTS DEN (MaddMatt 128589)

7 n m DragonSlavers Guild GO-MAGES DEN (Hades 124437) **USS Universe** TEEN SCENE (AdmMike+ 49933) 8 n.m.

RPG ZONE

(Ric 62912)

Red Dragon Inn **RPG ZONI** Magic: The Gathering GO-MAGES DEN 6 p.m. GOT: Fear Forest

RPG ZONE (Serenity 36114) Knights of Mercy SPORTS DEN (Tet 170016)

Marvel^{TN} **RPG ZONE** (Illian 110447) KOY: Misty Hollow TOURNAMENTS (2nd Thursdays only) (Slik+ 73524) DTF Guild MYSTIC PORTAL (SirPain 110705

Red Dragon Inn Magic: The Gathering GO-MAGES DEN 4 n.m.

Castle of Co. **RPG ZONE** (Spock 49915) 6 n m AD&D: The Shattered Lands

CHESS CLUB (Chris 78559) **USS Generation** MYSTIC PORTAL (CntnRiker 167406) USS Potemkin FLIP N CHECKERS (FltAdmKyle+ 108678)

Seitch Jacurutu SINGLES DEUX (Ravek 79283) The Quickening **RPG ZONE** (McLeodQ 155260)

Red Dragon Inn Magic: The Gathering GO-MAGES DEN 7 a.m. Time Warriors

TEEN SCENE (ALWZIT 102285) Ram Time Warriors SPADES TOO (ALWZIT 102285)

9 a.m. DoomNet Mtg SINGLES SPOT (DVDoom 85261)

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R CONFERENCE GUIDE FRIDAY SATURDAY WEDNESDAY SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY Role-Playing Games USS Endocrine Amhei TECH TOWER MYSTIC PORTAL page 7 (Crow 96406) (Chezni 95305) (Nemesis+ 13961) 6 n m KOY: Roleplay CHESS CLUB BACKGAMMON DEN (Bock 64650) Once you find a conference you're interested in, find out where it is by the bold type (for example, (GateRunDM 13920) 6 p.m Star Trek: Generations The REALMS MYSTIC PORTAL, SPADES PLACE). These are waiting rooms in the Clubhouse. Once in the TEEN SCENE SPADES PLACE (CotoRiker 167406 waiting room, click the GO TO button, select A CONFERENCE, and then click on the conference (Navic 81120) TCS Rapier: WC 8 p.m. name desired - you'll join immediately. And remember, you can always start your own club or group! Coattle Cupers (FAdmTolwyn 23160) MARRIED LIFE Just drop a line to E-Mail Box 931. It's that easy! 7 n m (Doomsaver 53527) Akara This October schedule is subject to change. The most accurate, up-to-date schedule can always RPG ZONE (Erik 133088) be found online in Town Hall under Conference Schedule. All times listed are Pacific time. Star Trek All conferences listed in blue italies are private and require approval from the conference's host MYSTIC PORTAL (CaptTommy 102263) (displayed in parentheses with the contact person's mailbox number) to attend. Forgotten Realms TECH TOWER Member-hosted conferences and any comments, suggestions or advice given therein do not (TomDMing 102263) necessarily reflect the opinions of The ImagiNation Network, Inc. Final Fantasy II GO-MAGES DEN (Kain 23670) **Special Interests** Two Fars Club Le Circle Français Food Fun and Recipe Club Great Ones DOA SIG Ack The Doctor The Cathorine MYSTIC PORTAL HEARTS CLUB TEEN HANGOU MARRIED LIFE TOURNAMENTS SINGLES DELIX (Scanless 102708) (PQ4Dan 115590) (Marcie 60887) (Frenchy 50335) (LadyDoc 30097) (Princess+ 84036) 6 p.m. ACAD Users Kids Club 7 p.m 6 n.m. People With 2 Ears Club Midkemian Legends TEEN SCENE News Events FUCHREVILLE BACKGAMMON DEN TEEN HANGOUT TEEN HANGOUT (ACE 143619) MARRIED LIFE CARD CRIB (Kathy 124257) (JimTheHand 71625) (PAFMrMe 110822) (Danny 72523) 7 p.m. Teen Party 7 p.m. The Dining Room Table Raleigh Kide 7 n m Joke Etc Rebel Freedom Fighters
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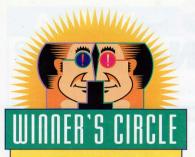
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Top NTN Trivia Winners in December

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NTN Trivia Quarterly Winners

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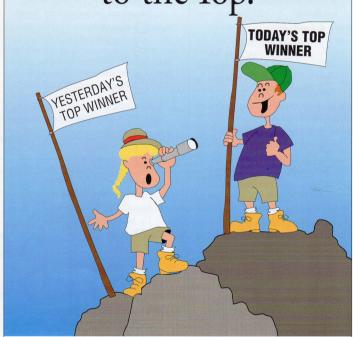
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2) In the revised monthly NTN Prize program first place is:	7) In which game on The ImagiNation Network can you find the Eiffel Tower?	12)The ImagiNation Network's facemaker allows you to:
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3) Which one of these Bulletin Boards is not in	8) What is the name of The ImagiNation	13)To go to CasinoLand, you must be at least:
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Dallas, Texas	55,000	1492
Cyberspace	1,000	2001
London, England	25,000	1993
Burlingame, Calif.	25,000,000	1968
5) What will you find in the INN Water Tower?	10) Where do you go to find the most current	15) Who is Fred?
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HEY FRED:

How do you get a message posted in a newsletter?

- Member

Dear Member

If you've got news you want included in INNews or INNSider, write to E-Mail Box 930. For TrnyTyme write to E-Mail Box 909. If you want to write to me or the editor at Imaginings, write to E-Mail Box 915. The editors say to include as much information as possible in vour note!

HEY FRED:

What is the relationship between The Sierra Network, The ImagiNation Network and Prodigy? And how does this relate to AT&T and **General Atlantic Partners?** Just wondering.

- Guv

Dear Guy:

Well, here goes. The Sierra Network is the old name for The ImagiNation Network. We got our current name, The ImagiNation Network, in July 1993. Right now, some of our ImagiNation games and Lands are available to

Prodigy members through a special agreement with Prodigy. About AT&T and General Atlantic Partners - until November of 1994 ImagiNation was jointly owned by Sierra On-Line, AT&T and General Atlantic. Now The ImagiNation Network is a whollyowned subsidiary of AT&T.

HEY FRED:

My name is Carlos and I'm really excited about getting Version 2.4. When the version is ready, does it get shipped to the billing address or to my home address?

- Carlos

Dear Carlos:

Well, I checked with my pal in Member Services, and found out that Version 2.4 will be shipped to us at the same address where we get our bills. She says there's only room in the database for one address, so you'll have to decide for yourself which one should go there. If you want to let ImagiNation know about an address change, write to E-Mail Box 943 or call 1-800-IMAGIN-1. You can also send address corrections to the Ask Member Services spot in the Town Hall.

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She says now it wasn't such an impulsive idea. She gave herself a weekend to think it over before she suggested her plan to Huffer. "And I had always wanted to live in California," she says. "I wanted to live in the mountains." Besides, her boss had assured her she could come back anytime she wanted.

During that two-week period between agreeing to meet and actually seeing each other, they each had moments of doubt.

"There was a point where I thought I was totally insane," Carlson admits. "We would trade off feeling, like, 'this is totally weird."

Carlson's mom was so worried that she asked a family friend, the local sheriff, to talk some sense into Julie.

"For two days we talked about how nuts it was," Huffer says. "She wanted to know that I wasn't going to show up with an ax in my hands, and I wanted to know that this wasn't all some kind of joke."

"We scraped together enough money between the two of us for gas," Huffer says. Huffer drove straight through the 40-hour trip from California to Minnesota, About an hour before he reached his destination, he called her house to confirm the directions.

When he pulled up into the parking lot of the apartment complex, Carlson was waiting outside for him. And even though they'd never exchanged photos, Huffer says he recognized Carlson from her ImagiNation Toon.

He met her family over dinner, and hung out with her at her last day on the job. Then they loaded up his car and drove West.

Now, more than a year later, both Carlson and Huffer still seem surprised that their story could have a happy ending. But it does.

They plan to marry, but haven't yet set a date. After a brief stint in Oakhurst, Calif., where they both got jobs with The ImagiNation Network, they now live together in the San Francisco Bay Area and work in the ImagiNation corporate offices.

"It's not something I ever expected to happen to me," Huffer says. "But things worked out very well. We're still very happy together, and that's really all that matters."

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MAGNATION The Last Word

You'll soon be seeing a new face online in ImagiNation. On January 11, 1995, Dean A. DeBiase was named president and chief executive officer of The ImagiNation Network. In this capacity, he will be responsible for day-to-day operations at ImagiNation.

Dean comes to ImagiNation from Zenith Electronics Corp. in Glenview, Ill., near Chicago, where he held a dual role as corporate

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have more information.

Many of you have asked about Internet access.

with the Internet. We'll let you know as soon as we

We're currently evaluating possible opportunities

vice president of marketing and senior vice president in the network systems group. Prior to that he was with ANTEC Corp., where he held various positions developing start-up and venture companies.

Personally, I must say I'm delighted to be able to introduce him as the newest member of our management team. With his experience and track record, I'm confident that The ImagiNation Network will continue to grow and blossom under his leadership and our relationship with AT&T.

In the coming months, you'll probably see Dean online quite often. (He's chosen the online name INNDean.) When you see him, be sure to say hello, share with him your thoughts, teach him to play a game or two!

See you in ImagiNation!

Town Pomeroy, a.k.a. TomP. Tom Pomeroy is the Vice President of Marketing and Sales at The ImagiNation Network.