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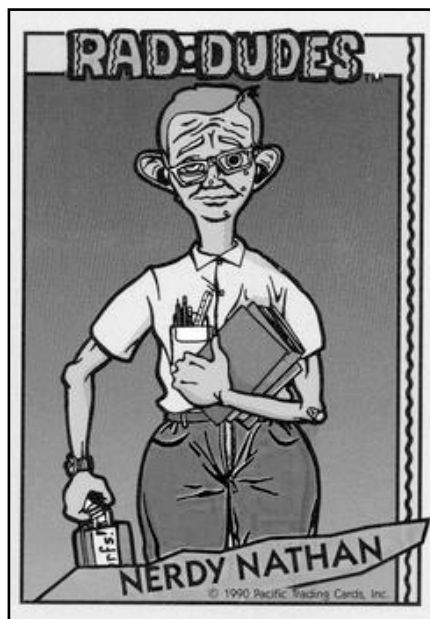
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Mission Statement:

Ryan Bartoski's Emotionally-Relative Trading Card Price Guide exists as a boon to the waning trade card industry, which is failing because corporations like Topps, Upper Deck and Fleer refuse to heed the demands of true collectors like Ryan. Ryan Bartoski, as a former intern for Beckett Industries, is hereby no longer affiliated with their company or their price guides. You are now officially collecting cards among the elite and are lucky to be in possession of this magazine.



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RYAN'S CORNER

Hello readers! It's your publisher and president of Bartoski Industries, Ryan Bartoski! I'm really excited to have the time to sit down and compile this magazine as your guide to definitive collecting in the trading card world!

I want to congratulate you on being a collector of distinct taste and vision; it's not every person who has the common sense to collect cards for joy who understands that owning a *Bartoski* guide means the following:



1. Cards are made out of cardboard, and therefore paper pulp, ergo trees; do we not all come from the Earth? Are we all not versions of trading cards ourselves in the eye of Mother Nature?
2. Women understand the value of a solid collection and may be seduced by it.
3. Tim Reynolds, owner of the shop Cardboard Heroes in Sioux City, Iowa, is a thief and a liar.
4. NEVER MENTIONING POGS EVER.
5. Read between the lines. The backs of these cards contain hidden messages. My brother Samuel assembled an encrypted message from the placement of vowels on the back of a set of Mars Attacks cards that prove 9/11 was an inside job.

You are entitled to Bartoski Club membership benefits, including:

- Discounts at Ryan's table at the Sioux City Flea Market every third Sunday of the month.
- Personal friendship with Ryan.
- A complete, autographed poster checklist of *Ryan Bartoski's Emotionally Relative Trading Card Price Guides* available for framing.
- Access to Ryan's exclusive workshop, "Waterproofing: It's in the Cards." It takes place at his friend Trent Wilke's garage, which has been hermetically sealed to prevent any moisture from entering.

AUTOGRAPH ETTIQUETTE

So you might've found out that your favorite shortstop has possibly come down with some sort of terminal illness. He might not play ball anymore, but can totes go to conventions to sign autographs and meet fans. Do you do the right thing and make sure your five mint condition Topps 1999 rookie cards get signed before he shuffles off this mortal coil? Or will you then totally bring down the value of said cards by soiling them with Sharpie? And why is there no specific form of alcohol designed for cardies when such a conundrum arises?! Let us take a deeper look into some of the other terrors of Autograph Etiquette!

Getting Multiples: When you're in line at a signing, particularly in the aforementioned situation with a terminal ex-athlete, it is well within your rights to bring multiple disguises, and change in a convention center bathroom in order to attain multiple copies.

Mailing Away for Autographs: This is strictly for cowards. Only a true man has the stones to borrow his mom's Geo Metro and make the drive down to that Marriott ballroom, pay for parking and admission, and wait his turn to get that ink in person.

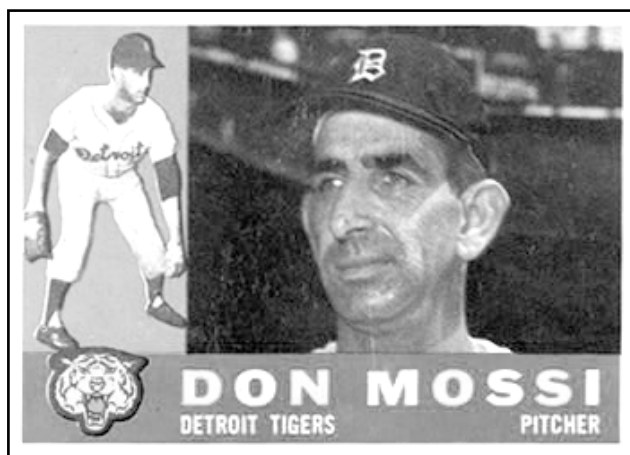
Smearing: This is unforgivable. Now maybe, MAYBE if the person who autographed it smeared it, that's not your fault. But if you walk away and a card is smeared by your own hand, you should plunge the Sharpie into your own jugular, no exceptions.



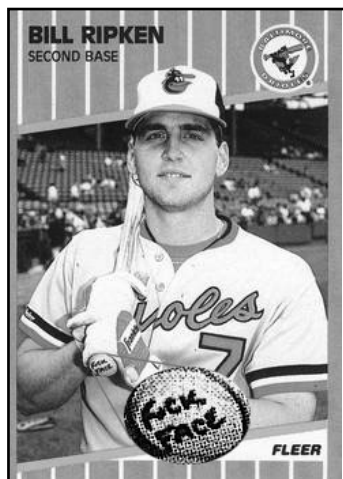
Faking It: Don't get caught. One time I faked an autograph to show this asshole who was really into LeBron James and I got punched in the dick in front of my peers. Related Tip: LeBron doesn't sign his cards with a glitter Sharpie.

PRICE GUIDE

Card & Company	Value	Reason
Mickey Mantle – Topps 1958	\$3,022.00	My dad met him in an airport and said he smelled like vodka.
Desert Storm #7: Stormin' Norman Schwarzkopf – Topps 1991	\$112.99	For real, I met the scud stud Arthur Kent at a CinnaBon in the Dallas airport last year. He signed this card. No, he's not Norman Scharwzkopf, but he totally covered him.
Garbage Pail Kids Series 3: Fryin' Ryan – Topps 1985	\$7	My name is Ryan!
Don Mossi – Topps 1960	\$17.99	Look at him. LOOK AT HIM.
Marvel Universe: Cosmic Spider-Man – Impel 1990	\$379	Cosmic Spider-Man is the best incarnation of this character. He had a hot redhead girlfriend and could fly.



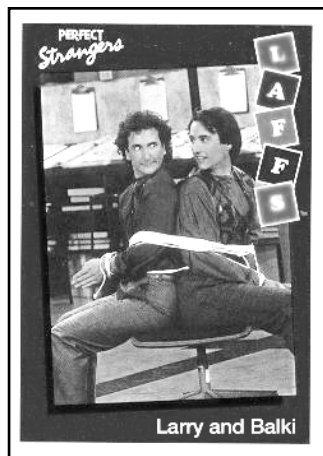
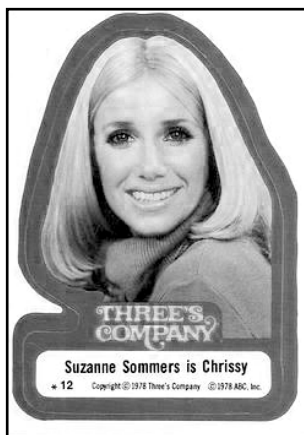
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Max Headroom #19 – Topps 1986	\$50,000	Jodee Mascarello lived next door to me for a year in elementary school. She gave me this card and then when we saw each other again in high school she had turned into a blonde Betty Page. This card signifies our love.
Bill Ripkin – Fleer 1989	\$79	This card prominently features the words “Fuck Face,” which is what my Uncle Ron would call me when I lived with him.
Charizard Series 2 Pokemon Holo Card NO SHADOW – Topps 2000	\$15	You know what? Pokemon isn’t cool anymore. So you’re not cool if you buy this. Ugh. Go ahead, buy it.
Brian Harper – Upper Deck 1992	\$900	On the card, he’s talking on a giant cell phone. I really, really wanted that giant cell phone.



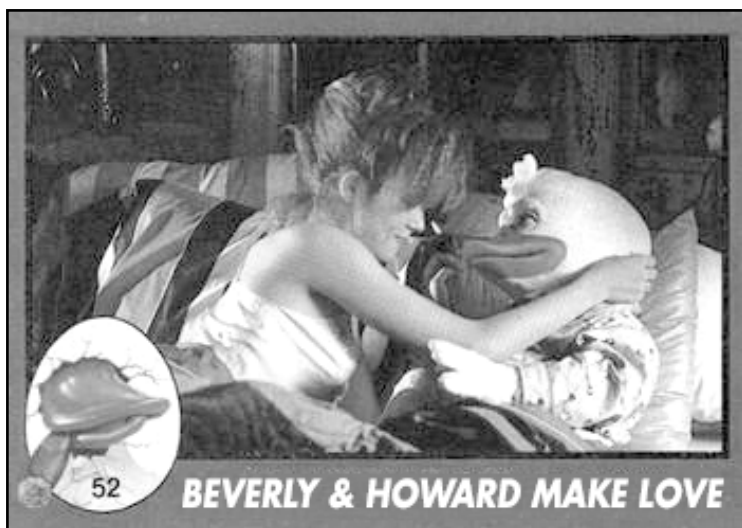
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Ricky Henderson MVP – Donruss 1991	\$21	I went and saw the Oakland A's that year and Ricky Henderson hit a home run that hit my brother Sam in the face.
Batman the Movie: Bob the Goon – Topps 1989	\$3.50	Tracy Walter is my favorite actor of all-time.
Batman the Movie: He Took My Balloons! – Topps 1989	\$3.50	Again, Tracy Walter is on this card. He's so awesome.
Batman the Movie: Repainting the Museum – Topps 1989	\$3.50	Tracy Walter is holding a ghetto blaster! He looks like he's going to break dance, which he should have done in the Batman movie
Three's Company: Mr. Roper – Topps 1978	\$1	"Make me an offer." What a dick!



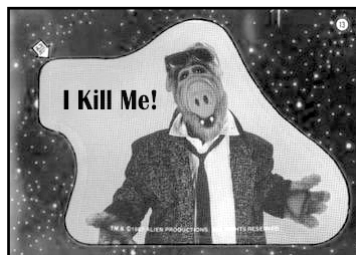
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Three's Company: Suzanne Sommers is Crissy – Topps 1978	\$52	I used to bounce this card around and pretend that she was also bouncing, until my mom caught me.
Honus Wagner – American Tobacco Company 1911	\$508	Wagner didn't want kids buying tobacco to get his card. What a buzzkill!
Gong Show: Chuck Barris – Topps 1977	Not For Sale	Chuck Barris was a national treasure. Get away from my table.
Gong Show: The Masked Comedian – Topps 1977	\$8	When Shia Lebeouf wore that bag on his head I for sure thought this thing would go up.
LAFFS TV Cards: Larry and Balki – Impel 1991	\$34.45	Bronson Pinchot is gonna make a comeback and when he does, you'll wish you had bought this now.
Super Wrestling Stars: "King Kong" Brody – Monty Gum 1986	\$11.40	This guy had the KK name before King Kong Bundy, and was way hairier.



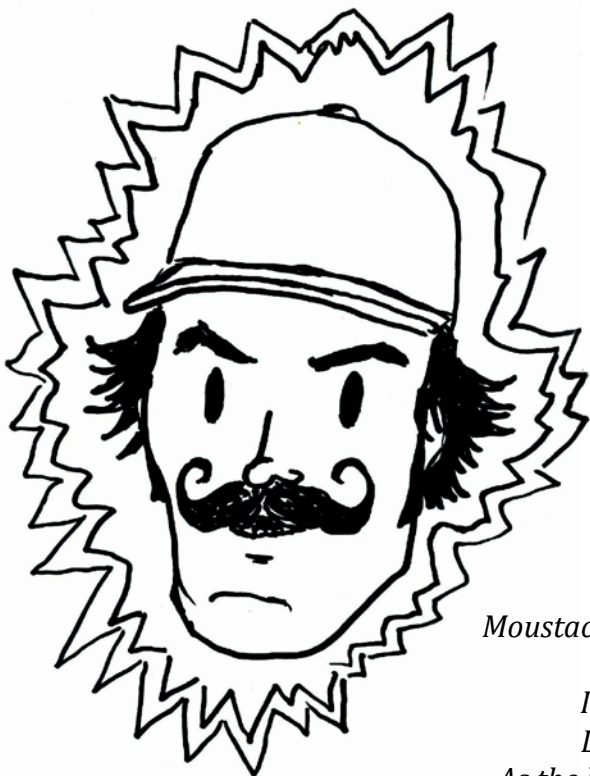
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Dick Pole – Topps 1976	\$5,000.00	Name involves penis.
Johnny Dickshot – Diamond Greats 1979	\$8===D - - -	Name involves penis.
Dick Felt – Fleer 1963	\$69	Total penis name, you guys.
Chubby Cox – TCMA 1980	\$4,400	Name involves penis w/ bent corner. The card is bent in the corner, not his penis.
Rusty Kuntz – Fleer 1985	\$4	1. Married my cousin Harriett. 2. Vagina joke.
Howard the Duck: Beverly & Howard Make Love – Topps 1986	\$44	First full-on boner in a public space, but was sitting with my grandma.



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Nintendo Game Packs: Samus Aran Bikini Reveal – Topps 1989	\$18.50	In sixth grade, my best friend Tony was like, “if you hold this up to the light you can totally see through her bathing suit.”
Johnny Wockenfuss – Topps 1979	\$1.19	Wockenfuss sounds like a shitty Harry Potter creature.
Return to Oz: Tik Tok – Topps 1985	\$.25	Sequel is crud!! And you are crud if you like it!
Gremlins 2: Vegetable Gremlin – Topps 1990	\$.25	Sequel is crud!! And you are crud if you like it!
Back to the Future 2: Marty at Home – Topps 1989	\$.25	No Crispin Glover on card.
Blair Witch Project: Mike’s Sporadic Chest Hair Patterns – Topps 1999	\$111	I think the movie should have had more comedy like this.
ALF: I Kill Me! Sticker – Topps 1988	\$7	My brother Samuel and I bet that at the end of the series Alf would commit suicide because he spent so much time saying this.
Yo! MTV Raps: Ed Lover and Doctor Dre – ProSet MusicCards 1992	\$3	Let’s have two guys named “Doctor” and “Dre” running around in an extremely specific music genre. That won’t confuse any white kids in Iowa ever.



POEM FOR ROLLIE



*Oh Rollie
Good golly
Moustache like a border collie*

*It's pretty tight
Like hella tight
As the booty on Jane Pauley*

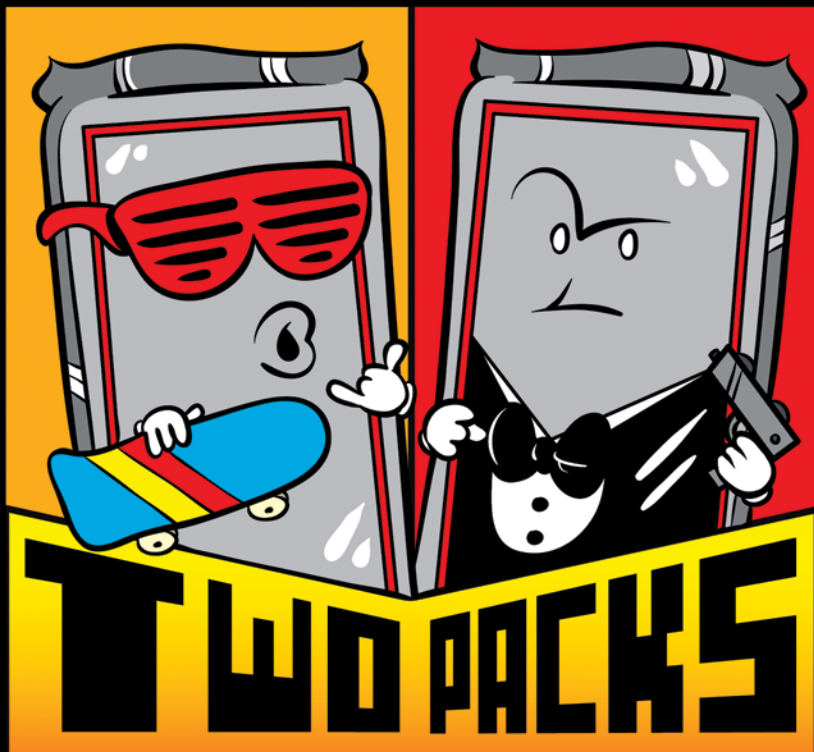
*Dude my face
Should be a place
With curls that curve aplenty*

*Then I'd surf
Through any turf
With twelve chicks, maybe twenty*

*As a lad
I had it bad
for Slurpee baseball coins*

*Dropped the cash
And hid my stash
At dad's house in Des Moines*

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DINOSAURS ATTACK, ALF,
YO! MTV RAPS, RAD DUDES,
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