

# Hanna

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with that." "Oh, well . . . sure, you can fill in. We've got to have someone. Are you sure you're smart?"

"The smartest," I said smugly. Quickly, I was whisked onto the set. I got into my contestant cubicle and wrote my name on the screen just as the show was starting.

My worthless opponents and I were introduced by the announcer. Then Alex came out to the wild applause of the studio audience.

"Hello and welcome to 'Jeopardy,'" he said. "We have three very gifted opponents ready to duke it out on our show today, so let's get right to it. Oh, by the way, did I mention that I'm Canadian?"

My palms began to sweat as the familiar "whoosh!" sound indicated that the gameboard was being set up for the first round of "Jeopardy."

"Only one Daily Double in this first round of 'Jeopardy,'" Alex said. "It will be in one of these categories. We have 'Really Hard Quantum Physics,' 'Obscure Middle Eastern Literary References,' 'Nearly Impossible Philosophical Syllogisms,' 'Unknowable North American Fungi,' 'Absurdly Difficult Omithology' and finally 'Starts With E.'"

My opponent to the left, Marge (a nuclear physicist from Grand Rapids, Mich.) chuckled quietly.

"Marge, you're laughing," Alex noted humorously. "What's so funny?"

"It's just that these categories are all so easy," she said and began

to laugh harder.

"Tell me about it," said Marc Lava (a computer engineer from Waco, Texas). "This round will be a breeze."

"Ha, ha, ha," Alex laughed. "I'm sure Jim on the end feels the same way. Don't you, Jim?"

I was still in shock from the initial reading of these impossible categories and could only mumble. I was in trouble.

The first round passed with me in an intellectual daze. I was being stomped. I think I may have rang in twice, missing both times. I couldn't keep up with these geniuses.

The score at the end of the first round: Marc had \$2,700, Marge had \$3,650 (she got the Daily Double), and I had -\$800.

During the commercial break, while they got the board set up for Double Jeopardy, Alex, Marc and Marge stood around laughing and ignoring me. Occasionally, Marge would look over at me and grunt with disgust.

Just before the break was over, Alex came up to me and hissed, "Hoo-boy, you're a smart one all right."

I could only stare blankly at him. I had told him I was smart, but here I was playing like a total moron. I vowed that I would snap out of it in the next round with Marc and Marge's stuffy butts.

"Here are the categories for Double Jeopardy," Alex said. "Let's hope Jim can answer at least one."

The studio audience laughed.

"Our first category is 'Nebraska Trivia.'"

My ears perked up.

"Next we have 'Landmarks in Lincoln, Neb.," followed by 'Capi-

tal Cities in Nebraska,' then 'Famous Nebraskans,' 'Classes Offered at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln' and 'Student Newspapers Located in the Basement of the Nebraska Union.'"

My hopes began to swell. I knew about these things. Maybe I could catch up.

"As you know," Alex said. "We pick our categories for each show with no knowledge of who our contestants will be. So Jim, being from Nebraska, may have a slight advantage this round. It is, of course, entirely accidental."

I smiled meekly. Marc and Marge shot me a couple of wicked glances.

"Jim, since you're quite obviously in last place, you get to start this round," Alex said.

"Okay, Alex, I'll take 'Landmarks in Lincoln, Neb.' for \$1,000."

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**My name is Jim Hanna, and I am perhaps the smartest human on earth.**

*Hanna columnist*

"For \$1,000?" Alex asked. "I'm sure that's too hard for you. Why don't you try something easier?"

"I'll take 'Landmarks in Lincoln, Neb.' for \$1,000 please, Alex!" I said sternly.

"Okay," he sighed. "It's your funeral. The answer is 'This tall building on the Lincoln skyline looks a little bit like a . . .'"

I rang in before he could even finish.

"What is the Nebraska State Capitol?" I asked.

" . . . penis. Yes, Jim." Alex said stunned. "You're right, believe it or not."

Marge gasped in disbelief. The audience began to murmur excitedly. They knew something spectacular was about to happen.

I continued through "Lincoln Landmarks" without a single miss. In fact I cleaned up the board. I answered every single question as well as each Daily Double and by the end of the round I had about \$37,000 and Marc's paltry \$3,650.

"Wow, that was quite a round for Jim. He pretty much has a lock on the game. But of course to make it official, we have to go through the motions of Final Jeopardy. Today's category . . . (ding!) 'Famous Head Football Coaches at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Who Are Still Coaching There.'"

I could hardly contain my glee. We were told to make our wagers. I chose to bet it all, knowing full well I would get the right answer/question, and my money would be doubled to \$74,000.

Marc and Marge looked on, baffled. I knew they wouldn't guess Tom Osborne and I would be the richest "Jeopardy" champion ever.

After the commercial break, Alex revealed the Final Jeopardy Answer: "He is Nebraska's current head football coach."

I gleefully scrawled TOM OSBORNE in big letters and put my pen down loudly so everybody would know I was done before Marc and Marge.

The dweebish music ran down and Alex went to Marc for his response. He guessed Bob Kerrey and was knocked down to \$1. Marge

guessed Johnny Carson and was knocked down to zero.

Then Alex came to me. I proudly pulled down my screen cover revealing my answer in all of its majestic brilliance. I began to jump around merrily, screaming of my newfound wealth.

"Jim . . . Jim, calm down . . . there's something we have to tell you . . ." Alex said, trying to rain on my parade.

"What is it you Canadian idiot? I'm on the winner. I'm the smartest man on earth. Why are you bothering me?"

"Jim," he said. "You forgot to phrase your response in the form of a question. You don't win. Our winner today with \$1 is Marc Lava with a two-day total of \$8,501. Congratulations, Marc. Please join us next time on 'Jeopardy.'"

Marc pointed at me and laughed. Marge spit in my hair and went to celebrate with Marc. It slowly began to sink in that I had only written "Tom Osborne" and not "Who is Tom Osborne?"

I had lost.

I solemnly walked out of the studio to the audience's jeers. I was broke and had to hitch my way back to Nebraska. Somewhere in Utah, as I rode in the back of a Consolidated Freightways semi, the moral of this story began to sink in.

I'm not the smartest man on earth. I'm not even the smartest little butthead from Nebraska.

I but not have won a lot of money, but with my newfound insight into my own mental failings, I was indeed a richer man.

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Meeting-Nebraska Union 7 p.m. Room posted. Elections.

**ATTENTION COLLEGE REPUBLICANS**  
William Risher, publisher of the National Review, will be debating 1st Amendment Rights at 8:00pm on January 30 in the Centennial Room. Please attend to support a fellow conservative!! A reception for William Risher to follow. Everyone invited.

**ATTENTION**  
Health Aides Campus Red Cross members. Poster party/pizza feast meeting, 6:30 p.m., Commonplace 333 N. 14th St. Last meeting before blood mobile. Please be there!

**BUILDER'S AWARD**  
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**WALPURGISNACHT**  
This Friday! Feb. 2, City Union 7:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m.

**UPO Presents: PANEL OF PROFESSORS. 7:00PM TOMORROW in the Regency Suite. Refreshments served.**

**CORNCOBBS**  
Meeting today, 4:30. Room to be posted in the Union. Please attend.  
DECA - first meeting of the semester, 5:30 Wednesday Nebraska Union, room posted, New Members WELCOME!

**GOVERNMENT LIAISON COMMITTEE**  
VERY IMPORTANT MEETING  
Tonight 6:15 NE Union  
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**Intramural Deadline**  
Tuesday, January 30 is the entry deadline for the men's and women's water polo tournament. 472-3467.

**Pi Lambda Theta**  
All members and prospective members meet Sunday, Feb. 4 at 6:30 at Dr. Sydney Hahn's house - 840 Lyncrest Drive. Please attend.

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**STUDENT FOUNDATION Scholarship Committee**  
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Be at the GLC meeting tonight  
6:15 NE Union

**Students for Choice**  
Meeting Feb. 1, 7:30 p.m. Union--Room Posted.

**Susie.**  
Been hearing about you. Can't wait to meet you! P.B.

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**UNL Young Democrats**  
Meeting, Wednesday, Jan. 31  
7:00 Union  
All Students Welcome

**UPC AMER. FILMS**  
MEETING TODAY AT 4:30 P.M. IN CITY UNION.  
UPC cordially invites the members of Psi Chi to attend the "Panel of Professors" on Wed. January 31 7:00 pm in the Regency Suite.

**WALPURGISNACHT**  
Volunteers needed for Feb. 2, 1990. Come to the organizational meetings on Tuesday Jan. 30 or Wednesday Jan. 31 from 7-8 p.m. at the City Union. Room to be posted.

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**120 Greek Affairs**

**ALPHA WEEK 90!**  
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Your brothers of Tau Kappa Epsilon  
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T.S.

