

## Phelps makes up for lackluster track results



Michael Phelps is no doubt the greatest Olympic Athlete of all time! Eight gold medals in these Beijing Olympics to compliment his six in Athens. The previous

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## McCain plays the Hottie Card, with Veep Choice

Coldest State Hottest Governor  
Save the planet, bring Sarah to DC, she's melting the arctic ice



In what will go down in history as either the greatest stroke of genius or the biggest blunder in

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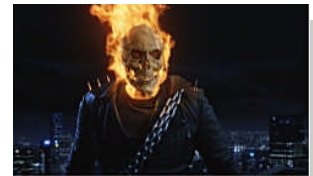
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## I Finally saw Ghost Rider

At the suggestion of my son, Kyle, I rented Ghost Rider,

### Updated Rankings

1	10.0	Batman Begins	2005
2	9.9	Spiderman	2002
3	9.8	The Dark Knight	2008
4	9.5	Batman	1989
5	9.4	The Incredibles	2004
6	9.3	The Fantastic Four	2005
7	9.2	Iron Man	2008
8	9.1	Spiderman 2	2004
9	9.0	X-men 2	2003
10	8.9	Spiderman 3	2007
11	8.8	Fantastic Four (Silver Surfer)	2007
12	8.7	Hell Boy II	2008
13	8.6	Sky High	2005
14	8.5	X-men 3	2006
15	8.4	Superman Returns	2006
16	8.3	Superman 2	1980
17	8.2	Dare Devil	2003
18	8.1	Superman	1978
19	8.0	X-men	2000
20	7.7	The Incredible Hulk	2008
21	7.0	Batman Returns	1992
22	7.5	Hell Boy	2004
23	7.3	Darkman	1990
24	7.2	League of Extraordinary Gentlemen	2003
25	6.9	Elektra	2005
26	6.8	Hancock	2008
27	6.7	Ghost Rider	2007
28	6.6	The Hulk	2003
29	6.5	Dick Tracy	1990
30	5.9	Batman Forever	1995
31	5.8	Batman and Robin	1998
32	5.7	Catwoman	2004
33	5.5	Darkman 2	1995
34	2.5	Superman 3	1983
35	1.5	Superman 4	1987
36	1.0	Supergirl	1984



starring Nicolas Cage. Ghost Rider for those of you who don't know is a long running Marvel comic about a character who is essentially a bounty hunter for the devil.

I actually enjoyed this movie quite a bit. Do not let it's lowly debut on the all time comic book and superhero movie list fool you. It is pretty good. The plot is a bit predictable and the acting, aside from Cage and Peter Fonda as "Mestiphopheles" AKA the devil, was mediocre. Anytime you have a pair of academy award winners you are bound to have some good acting. Sam Elliot was also quite good as the caretaker, although his screen time was limited. Trivia time! Elliot went to

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## The Northwest Calls 4 U.

The question that begs for an answer... will Frank, Paul and Matt make it up to Vancouver for a Pacific Northwest event? If Obama wins you won't be able to afford the travel, do it now while you can! Let's not let 2008 go without an event. October could work. You can fly direct from Santa Rosa now on Horizon Air.



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VP selection history, John McCain chose the woman who is inarguably the hottest Governor in the USA. This is an incredible move by the maverick McCain. The risks are enormous. This beautiful CEO of America's largest state by area, has a fairly thin resume that includes running the Alaska National Guard, Mayor of a small town and of course two years as Governor. McCain doesn't need anyone to pad his resume as he has enjoyed a long career in the Senate.

My concern with this choice is it will weaken the Republican argument that Obama is unqualified. Many are suggesting that if Palin is qualified then so is Barrack. It is a sound position and may cost McCain in November. You can make a solid argument that Sarah Palin's resume has more executive experience than Obama's. Even though running a city of 9,000 pales in comparison to that of running the USA, it is still an elected executive position as is her Governor's experience. As of right now the dirt on this former beauty queen is light but give the media time, who knows. Regardless, I think the mud in Obama's face will be much deeper as his connection to American terrorist, William Ayers and the kooky anti-American Pastor, Jeremiah Wright will not go away.

As for right now, John McCain could not have selected a better choice to crash the Obama bounce from the Democratic nominee's exceptional speech in front of 85,000 the night before. This is the biggest VP buzz since Geraldine Ferraro in 1984. Let's hope it works, there is a lot at stake. Obama must not become the 44th President!

Palin has a 'maverick' reputation of her own bucking the GOP establishment and crossing party lines just as McCain has done himself. The public opinion polls have her at over 80% approval with 58% picking the highest approval possible and less than 1% picking the lowest! Sarah is much more conservative than her partner on the ticket. McCain hopes to appeal to the hard right wingers like me with this choice and I must say... I think it's working.

I think McCain will capture at least an extra 1-2% of women voters with this pick and in a close election that could make the difference between pass or fail. The fact that she is younger than Obama helps offset the McCain 'geezer' issues. Although that thin resume of hers comes back into the picture every time we think about John's 72 years of age. This woman could easily be president 'prematurely'. It should be noted that Bush 41 was elected with Dan Quayle as VP and Danny's resume was very thin. By the time she runs for President in 2016 assuming McCain goes two terms, her resume would be very solid.



Now, back to the hottie side of this article. I think my resume is strong on political hotness with the published works, Foxy First Ladies and Sultry Senators, this babe was tailor made for the Evergreen Times! This woman may be the best looking elected official I have ever seen. She is really quite stunning with looks that are more akin to Jaclyn Smith than say Pamela Anderson. She has beauty, brains and class and that is a killer combo. Watch out Obama, 'We R Coming 4 U'. I'll close, with this quote from the blogger, 'The Activity Pit':

**"Dedicated to the hottest VP nomination since Dan Quayle. She's so hot, Habanero peppers have to order their tacos with \*light\* 'Palin' sauce."**

This is going to be a great election cycle!

**MOTHER GOOSE & GRIMM**



(Ghost Rider from page 1)

Clark College in Vancouver, WA!

Cage of course is a big comic book fan so he took to his role with better than average enthusiasm. I can't quite put my finger on it but there is just something



kind of cool about a guy who transforms into a fiery skeleton riding a flaming Harley from Hell.

Little kids note... Although the film is PG-13 there are some downright creepy supernatural bad-dies that might cause nightmares for junior viewers. If you haven't seen this go rent it, it's cool.



(Phelps from page 1)

best career gold medal count was nine and of course Mark Spitz' amazing record of seven in Munich 36 years ago has fallen. Wow, Phelps has single handedly saved America from Olympic disgrace after our Track and Field team failed to perform to our expectations.

China has emerged as an Olympic powerhouse as they took home more gold than any other country netting 30% more gold than us. The Americans still brought home more overall medals thanks to a bunch of silvers in track and diving. The Olympic committee is eliminating Baseball and softball in 2012. What's up with that?