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Headless Corpse Found in Honda Del Sol Zenith Police Clueless Claims Local Redhead

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Unnamed sources (Colby Meadows) claim that Zenith police are "clueless" when it comes to solving the mystery of the headless corpse found just today in her stolen Honda del Sol. "That is not my Uncle Stilton. Zenith Police need to find out who this poor man is, and track his killer. I know that Unk is still out there," shrieked Ms. Meadows before she ran me down with her car on the street.

Chief of Police Romano Meadows, brother of Ms. Meadows and an active member of the Trouser of the Month Club, disputes rumors of his incompetence. "We know that our Uncle Stilton has a long history of interacting with the law from the wrong side. He's never been convicted, but he sure has plenty of petty theft incidents on his record. That man could not walk past a garden gnome without pinching it. I'm sad, but not surprised, that his criminal life has led him to this. We have enough evidence to close the case today as unsolved to save our family members and our taxpayers more grief and money, respectively."

"Hell no," retorted Ms. Meadows as she ran me down with her car on the street again.

Bentonville Ghostchaser Raises Spirits At Lucky Lanes Bowling Alley

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Hickman Whittington IV, descendent of a long line of self-proclaimed psychics and ghostchasers, graced the Lucky Lanes Bowling Alley in Herring with his gifts last Saturday in "an attempt to raise the spirits of the local Boy Scouts and the dead."

The Lucky Lanes, which has seen an unusual amount of "weird stuff" according to owner Vic Dempsky, needed a "ghostchaser intervention." According to Mr. Dempsky, "The same balls, and we don't have that many, were launching down the lanes when nobody was around, pins were resetting themselves, and it looked like the ghosts were actually competing with each other and keeping score on the back of the cocktail napkins, too. I think those ghosts must like Miller Light because I found a bunch of empties tossed around lane four."

Local Boy Scout Troup #20V just happened to be onsite when Mr. Whittington appeared to perform his ghostchasing. The entire troupe refrained from comment.

On a side note, this reporter discovered that Velveeta and Fontina Meadows, twin mothers of Colby Meadows, are dating Mr. Whittington.

"Hell no," retorted Ms. Meadows when asked about her mothers' association with the ghostchaser as she ran me down with her car on the street yet again.