

# DADDY DIGEST

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'CAUSE Daddy  
FORGOT IT!

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THEME:  
HAPPY  
DADDY'S DAY!

WELL if MY daddy CAN PUBLISH  
AN ISSUE ABOUT me AND Joshua then  
I suppose I CAN DO ONE about  
him, too. AND he has NO IDEA this  
is coming either. IMAGINE all those  
times daddy came HOME FROM WORK  
and asked, "Mona, how was EZRA today?"  
AND mommy would smile and tell  
I took my NAP LIKE a good boy. How  
did he suspect THAT I WAS SURREPTITIOUSLY  
PREPARING my Debut issue THE WHOLE time.  
Boy, this will give those folks at IAHP  
something to drool about! Hee, hee...

By and LARGE, this issue will  
consist of SEVERAL ESSAYS ON  
how to RAISE a Daddy.

# GETTING

# STARTED

it isn't an easy task preparing someone for FATHERHOOD. MARK was an especially difficult case; i attempted to read much of the contemporary LITERATURE on the subject of RAISING a Daddy, but my prenatal VANTAGE POINT rather complicated the task.

# FOOD

dADDIES are much eASIER to control when THEY are well-fed. There is an easy way to get dADDIES to eat whatever you want them to eat. simply: wait till they TRY to FEED you, refuse to bite, and they will gradually NIBBLE it from the

spoon, thinking that they are  
tricking you into eating it! Works  
every time with mark. (☺)

## Education

JOSHUA AND I engaged in  
NUMEROUS debates based on our  
RESPECTIVE PHILOSOPHIES IN  
REGARD TO MARK'S EDUCATION  
BEFORE DECIDING TO IMPLEMENT  
THE OLD FLASHCARD ROUTINE. THE  
THEORY IS THAT DADDIES WILL BE  
WILLING - EVEN EAGER - TO SPEND  
HOURS AND HOURS PUTTING TOGETHER  
DECKS OF FLASHCARDS, ALL FOR THE  
SAKE OF SHOWING THEM TO YOU  
FOR A FEW SECONDS EACH DAY.  
THE TRICK IS TO ACT CURIOUS AND  
PRETEND YOU DON'T KNOW ALL THAT

stuff. AFTER a FEW DAYS, if the DADDY LEARNS the WHOLE DECK (it's a Dead giveaway when They START Giving the ANSWERS WITHOUT HAVING to READ them - just watch their eyes), you SIMPLY PRETEND to grow TIRED OF the deck. They WILL SOON RETIRE it and BRING IN a new one. MARK has progressed AT AN AVERAGE Rate, with ONE remarkable exception.

AFTER 41 YEARS, JOZHUAN AND I HAVE BEEN UTTERLY FRUSTRATED trying to teach Him to DISTINGUISH SOME OF THE WORD cards: "PHONE" from "FONE", "THOUGHT" from "THO", and so on.

ON the other hand, MARK shows a remarkable Affinity for PATTERNS. You remember how MARK

WENT ON and ON ABOUT JOSHUA  
AND his CHECKERBOARD? WELL,  
THAT'S NOTHING; you should SEE how  
GLUED MARK gets to his DIPLOMACY  
board! He gets irritated AND  
CRANKY WHenever it is out OF  
His SIGHT.



## LETTERS

SAMANTHA ROSE CORBIN: CONGRATULATIONS  
ON YOUR DEBUTAL INTO PUBLISHING!  
BOY, WAIT'LL MY MOMMY SEES WHAT I'VE  
GOT UP MY SLEEVE! AND TO THINK  
THAT MARK SAYS THAT YOU AND I  
AREN'T "EXTRAORDINARY KIDS"... FIDDLESTICKS!

MY PHILOSOPHY ON RAISING.  
A PARENT IS DIFFERENT THAN  
YOURS. I LIKE TO LEAD TO MY

MOMMY, especially Dr. Seuss  
books. ((Samantha's mommy is  
Joan Extrom.)) Another MAJOR  
strategy in BRINGING UP MOMMY  
is to OCCASIONALLY drool in  
her FACE WHEN she picks ME  
UP. Sort of keeps her ALERT...  
((Gee, I'll have to TRY that one  
on mark!))

darcimonorously,  
Samantha

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((WELL there were more  
LETTERS, But I'm OUT OF ROOM  
AND BESIDES, I HAVE TO GO  
POTTY!

NEXT ISSUE we'll return to  
THE STANDARD theme: "DIPLOMACY  
IN DIAPPERS".))

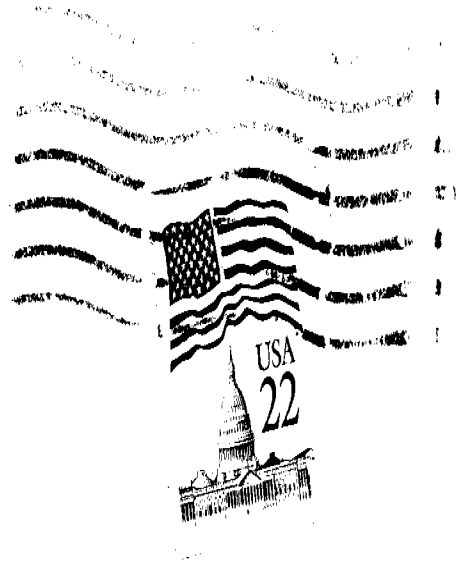
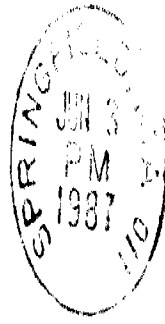



THIS HAZ BEEN A SPECIAL FATHER'S Day izzue of "Daddy Digest", put out OSTENSIBLY By EZRA BARCH (but with a little help from a friend). It iz intended in fun only, and is in the spirit OF WISHING a HAPPY, Happy Father's Day to a Daddy who CLEARLY TAKEZ LOTS OF PRIDE in raizing his zons, and WHO WAS GENEROUS enough to share hiz EXPERIENCES with ALL of us. Hope you all ENJOYED it...

... AND Happy Father's Day, Mark!



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