A Voice of Reason
America's leading voice of dissent is now loud and online. Naomi Chomsky - language scholar, social philosopher, and leftist icon - has found another home in cyberspace at New World Media's "archive, interactive service, and political commons," a site matter-of-factly titled "Noam Chomsky & the Web." In addition to Chomsky's collected works and a selection of the provocative feature film Manufacturing Consent, the site (found at http://www.newworldmedia.com) boasts a discussion forum as well as links to 2 Magazine. As the Web continues to evolve, Noam Chomsky and the Web is also sure to become a valued steppingstone to other grass-roots organizations and an obvious haven for users concerned with Chomsky's issues. Consider this your wake-up call.

George Washington Grew It
"Herb - the healing of a nation. Keep you healthy, mind clear... The more people smoke, the more Babylon falls." These words of wisdom, spoken by Bob Marley, will help you get under the Hemp Nation Headquarters on the Web. Anyone interested in the plight of Chris "Hemp Boy" Clay, the Hemp Nation leader and Great Canadian Hempman proprietor recently buried at his shop in London, Ontario - will find all the gore details here, complete with supporting visuals by the legendary Bunny Moons. In addition to all this, the site's a veritable one-stop-shop for hemp and cannabis resources. If you haven't bookmarked this one already, you should. Hemp Boy gives it to the doob-heads everywhere at http://www.hempboy.com Hemp nation index.html.

Quit Your Jeeses!
So why aren't humans born with blue or green hair, even though birds, insects, and butterflies are aptly colored? What causes ringing of the ears? And how do farmers grow seedless fruit? Readers of Cecil Adams' weekly column "The Straight Dope," in the Chicago Reader know the answers to these and hundreds of other bewildering questions. Adams' fields of expertise range from "the scamming millions" with a sarcastic, know-it-all style. He once calculated whether the planet would be thrown off its axis if every person in China jumped off his or her chair simultaneously. Though at the same time, he refused to be convinced whether people in the US would hear the entire population of China yelling.

Even if you don't live in one of the 25 cities with a power connection to Adam's column, you can still read it in 7SD Archives at http://www.nrc.ca/net-kink.html. And if you're hung up on more, the latest four columns are uploaded to Susan's newsgroup alt.fan.cecil-adams about once a month. Then, readers answer the questions that Adams ignores, churning out some straight dope of their own.

Pigskin Performance
Gone are the days when Super Bowl mania was spent huddling in front of the television set. Now you can get it all at http://superbowl.com, courtesy of Super Bowl XXXI, XXI, XXXII, and XXXIII hosts Arizona State University, Sun Microsystems, Netscape, and MCI. Dis the other team in an anonymous (and usually vituperative) thread discussion, order Supermerchandise, make travel arrangements, take the trivia quiz, then hop to the NFL home page, all without leaving your seat. In what may be the world's first practical application of VRML using Apple's new QuickTime VR, you can take a virtual tour of Sun Devil Stadium to see whether your seats are any good. And hell, load up on Net tools while you're at it; you'll find links to all the latest helper apps, including QuickTime VR, HotJava, and Real Audio. If you're one of those miserable souls who'll be at your workstation during the big game, check this site for continual updates. See you at kickoff time!

San Francisco Bay area creatives are building a home at http://www.well.com/users/mcrone/atlas.html (description), an online publication that features original photography, illustration, design, and multimedia.